

## Closed Caption Log, Council Meeting, 03/23/06

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GOOD MORNING, I'M AUSTIN MAYOR WILL WYNN, IT IS MY PLEASURE TO HONOR BROTHER JIM COLLEY TO LEAD US IN OUR INVOCATION, PLEASE RISE.

OUR FATHER, WE THANK YOU FOR THIS DAY, ITS ATTENDANT BLESSING, WE HAVE THANKFUL FOR THE SUNSHINE, RAIN, FRUITFUL SEASONS FOR FILLING OUR HEARTS WITH FOOD AND GLADNESS. WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT YOU ARE THE GIVER OF EVERY GOOD AND PERFECT GIFT. THOU WHO ART THE FATHER OF LIFE, WHERE THERE IS NO SHADOW. FATHER, WE ARE THANKFUL BY YOUR GRACE, IN YOUR CARE FOR EACH ONE OF US, YOU HAVE CALLED US INTO THIS COMMUNITY TO BE NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS. WE GIVE YOU THANKS FOR THIS CITY THAT -- THAT WE CALL HOME. WE GIVE YOU THANKS FOR -- FOR THESE SERVANT LEADERS THAT ALONG WITH ALL OF THOSE WHO HELPED THEM, PROMOTE THE GENERAL WELFARE AND THE THE BETTERMENT OF EVERY CITIZEN. FATHER, WE REALIZE IN OUR WORKING TOGETHER, THERE ARE CERTAIN EXPECTATIONS THAT EACH OF US EXPECT OF THE OTHER. BUT HELP US TO REALIZE, FATHER, THAT -- THAT YOU HAVE EXPECTATIONS FOR EACH ONE OF US. AND IN HUMANITY LET US CONFESS THAT -- HUMILITY LET US CONFESS THAT WE FALL SHORT OF NOT ONLY OUR OWN EXPECTATIONS BUT YOURS AS WELL. BLESS US AS WE LIVE TOGETHER, HELP US TO BE CHARITABLE IN OUR UNDERSTANDING OF ONE OTHER, HELP OUR DEALINGS TO BE OPEN, TO BE HONEST, TO BE TRANSPARENT. FOR WE CAN CONFESS THAT EVERYTHING IS

NAKED AND OPEN IN THE EYES OF YOU WITH WHOM WE HAVE TO DO. LET THE WORDS OF OUR LIPS AND THE MEDITATIONS OF OUR HEART BE ACCEPTABLE UNTO YOU IN THIS HOUR. FOR THIS WE ASK IN JOOEZ NAME, AMEN -- IN JESUS NAME, AMEN.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, BROTHER COLLEY. THERE BEING A QUORUM PRESENT AT THIS TIME I WILL CALL TO ORDER THIS MEETING OF THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL, IT IS THURSDAY, MARCH 23rd, 2006, WE ARE IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE CITY HALL BUILDING, 301 WEST SECOND STREET, IT'S APPROXIMATELY 10:15 A.M. WE HAVE A HANDFUL OF CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS TO THIS WEEK'S POSTED AGENDA. THEY ARE ON ITEM NO. 2, WE SHOULD NOTE THAT IT'S NOT -- THAT IT HAS BEEN RECOMMENDED BY THE WATER AND WASTEWATER COMMISSION, NOT REVIEWED, BUT RECOMMENDED. ON ITEM NO. 21, WE WILL STRIKE THE ENDING PHRASE, A QUORUM OF THE WATER AND WASTEWATER COMMISSION WAS NOT AVAILABLE TO VOTE ON THIS ITEM DURING THE MARCH 1st, 2006 MEETING, THIS ITEM WILL BE REVIEWED AT A SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE WATER AND WASTEWATER COMMISSION ON MARCH 20th, 2006. WE WILL STRIKE ALL OF THAT AND INSERT RECOMMENDED BY THE WATER AND WASTEWATER COMMISSION. NOW THAT THEY HAVE MET. ON ITEM NO. 42, WE SHOULD NOTE THAT COUNCILMEMBER KIM IS AN ADDITIONAL CO-SPONSOR. ON ITEM NO. 62, THAT ADDENDUM, WE SHOULD STRIKE THE PHRASE AN ORDINANCE AND INSERT THE WORDS A RESOLUTION, THEN ALSO NOTE THAT MAYOR PRO TEM, DANNY THOMAS AND COUNCILMEMBER KIM ARE ADDITIONAL CO-SPONSORS. FOR OUR AUSTIN OUR HOUSE HOUSE, AGENDA ITEM -- AUSTIN HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION, AGENDA ITEM NO. 3, WE SHOULD STRIKE THE PHRASE SUBJECT TO ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AND IN COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE FEDERAL CODES, INCLUDING CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATION, TITLE 24, SECTION 8 4.50 PERFORMANCE GOALS, STRIKE THAT ENTIRE CONFERENCE. ON ZONING CASE Z-9, WE SHOULD NOTE THAT THE -- THAT THE ZONING SHOULD BE NOTED AT, WE SHOULD INSERT THE ADDITIONAL WORDS, NEIGHBORHOOD CONSERVATION COMBINING DISTRICT OR -- SO THEREFORE THE SF 3 NCCD-NP ALSO

INSERT THE NCCD ON THE HISTORIC PORTION OF THE ZONING CASE, SO THAT WOULD BE SF 3-H NCCD-NP. TWICE. SO WE WILL MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE THAT -- FOR OUR 4:00 ZONING CASES. OUR TIME CERTAINS TODAY AT NOON WE WILL BREAK FOR OUR GENERAL CITIZENS COMMUNICATION. AT 1:00 WE HAVE -- WE HAVE SEVERAL BRIEFINGS, 3 ACTUALLY. THAT WE WILL TAKE UP, ITEMS 50 THROUGH 52, THE FIRST WILL BE A BREEFNG ON THE TRANSPORTATION -- BRIEFING ON THE TRANSPORTATION AND DRAINAGE ELEMENTS OF A PROPOSED AND RECOMMENDED 2006 BOND ELECTION. WE WILL ALSO HAVE A PRESENTATION FROM FIRST NIGHT AUSTIN 2006. LOOKING FORWARD TO NEXT YEAR'S. AND ITEM NO. 52 WILL BE A PRESENTATION ON THE CONCEPTUAL BUILDING DESIGN FOR BLOCK 21 ACROSS THE STREET. AT 3:00 WE WILL CONVENE OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING FOR THE AUSTIN HOUSING AND FINANCE CORPORATION, THREE ITEMS ON THAT AGENDA, AHFC 1 THROUGH 3:00, 4:00 ZONING HEARINGS AND APPROVAL OF ORDINANCES AND RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS, THOSE SHOW THIS WEEK AS ITEMS 53 THROUGH 60, ZONING PUBLIC HEARING CASES Z-1 THROUGH Z-9. WE WILL ANNOUNCE NOW THAT THE STAFF WILL BE REQUEST GO THAT Z-1, THE TIME INSURANCE CASE, BE POSTPONED TO A LATER DATE. 5:30 WE HAVE LIVE MUSIC AND PROCLAMATIONS. THERE IS A RUMOR GOING AROUND THAT RUSTY WEIR WILL BE OUR MUSICIAN, STAY TUNED FOR THAT AT 5:30. AT 6:00 WE HAVE PUBLIC HEARINGS AND POSSIBLE ACTIONS THAT SHOW UP TODAY AS ITEM NO. 61 ON THE AGENDA. COUNCIL, WE HAVE NO -- NO PULLED ITEMS OFF THE AGENDA SO FAR THIS MORNING. ANY ITEMS TO BE PULLED OFF THE CONSENT AGENDA? IF NOT THEN I WILL READ THIS MORNING'S CONSENT AGENDA NUMERICALLY. IT WILL BE ITEM 1, 2, PER CHANGES AND CORRECTION, 3, 4, 5, NOTING THAT 5, 6 AND 7 ARE ALL RELATED, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, PER CHANGES AND CORRECTION, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, WHICH ARE OUR BOARD AND ECONOMICS APPOINTMENTS, COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS, I WILL READ INTO THE RECORDS, TO OUR BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT, BRYAN KEEN AND MICHAEL VON OLEN ARE CONSENSUS APPOINTMENTS. TO OUR CHILD CARE COUNCIL, JILL McRAY IS COUNCILMEMBER LEFFINGWELL'S REAPPOINTMENT. TO

OUR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, PATTY GONZALEZ IS COUNCILMEMBER MCCRACKEN'S REAPPOINTMENT. TO OUR DAY LABOR COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE, KIM BURNSON IS A CONSENSUS APPOINTMENT AS A NEIGHBORHOOD REPRESENTATIVE AND LAURIE RENTRYA IS A CONSENSUS REAPPOINTMENT FROM THE AUSTIN NEIGHBORHOODS COUNCIL. LIBRARY COMMISSION DAVID MINTZ, COUNCILMEMBER LEFFINGWELL'S REAPPOINTMENT. MUSIC COMMISSION NATALIE ZOE COUNCILMEMBER LEFFINGWELL'S REAPPOINTMENT TO THE SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMISSION, J.D. PORTER IS COUNCILMEMBER KIM'S REAPPOINTMENT. ITEM NO. 39 ON THE CONSENT AGENDA. ITEMS 40 AND 41 ARE PULLED OFF THE CONSENT AGENDA AS THEY RELATE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS. ITEM 42 IS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA PER CHANGES AND CORRECTION. AS IS 43, AND 44. AND OUR ADDENDUM ITEM NO. 62. I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION.

MAYOR, I WILL MOVE APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA, BUT I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE JUST A COUPLE OF COMMENTS. FIRST ON ITEM 39, THE -- THE TWO CONSENSUS APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT, WE WILL ALL RECALL AT OUR LAST MEETING WE EXPANDED THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT FROM FIVE MEMBERS TO SEVEN MEMBERS, SO THESE ARE ADDITIONAL MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT. I JUST WANTED TO NOTE THAT. AND THE SECOND THING IS THAT I DON'T WANT TO PULL IT FROM THE AGENDA, BUT I WOULD LIKE STAFF EXPLANATION OF ITEM NO. 2, HERE WE HAVE A SITUATION WHERE -- WHERE THE CITY'S WATER AND WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT RESPONDED TO A VERY VALID CITIZEN COMPLAINT, AN UNUSUAL SITUATION RELATED TO THE DROUGHT THAT I GUESS WE ARE STILL UNDERGOING. I THINK THEY OUGHT TO HAVE A CHANCE TO TAKE THE CREDIT FOR IT AND EXPLAIN WHAT THEY HAVE DONE.

SO MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER LEFFINGWELL THAT I WILL SECOND TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS READ. AND WOULD LIKE A -- A BRIEF STAFF PRESENTATION ON ITEM NO. 2. I THINK IT'S GOOD NEWS FOR -- FOR AUSTIN AS CITIZENS AND RATEPAYERS. WELCOME MR. CHRIS LIPPE.

MAYOR, MAYOR PRO TEM, COUNCILMEMBERS. MY NAME IS CHRIS LIPPE WITH AUSTIN WATER UTILITY AND I AM PLEASED TO RECOMMEND TO YOU A -- AN ITEM NO. TWO, APPROVAL OF ITEM NO. 2, WHICH IS -- WE'LL PROVIDE SOME RELIEF TO OUR CUSTOMERS DURING THESE UNUSUAL WEATHER CONDITIONS WHERE WE'VE HAD HIGHER THAN NORMAL LANDSCAPE WATERING DURING THE YEAR, WHICH IS GOING TO END -- WOULD HAVE IMPACTED THE WASTEWATER AVERAGING VOLUME WHICH THEN CARRIES OUT THROUGHOUT THE NEXT YEAR IN TERMS OF THE -- OF THE BILL AMOUNTS. SO WHAT WE WERE PROPOSING TO DO IS REQUEST A ONE TIME AMENDMENT TO OUR WASTEWATER AVERAGING METHOD, EXCUSE ME, THAT WOULD SET A NEW -- A NEW -- WHAT IT WOULD DO WOULD BE SET A NEW WASTEWATER AVERAGE FOR CUSTOMERS AVERAGING 2005 WASTEWATER AVERAGE AND THE 2006 WASTEWATER AVERAGE AND THAT WOULD NORMALIZE IT BACK TO -- BACK TO A LOT CLOSER TO OUR PROJECTED WASTEWATER AVERAGE THAT WE USED IN THE BUDGET. SO THIS WILL -- THIS WILL -- FOR MOST CUSTOMERS, THIS WILL RESULT IN A LOWER WASTEWATER BILL FOR THE NEXT YEAR. FOR THOSE WHO HAVE -- WHO HAD CHANGES IN THEIR WATERING PATTERNS, IF THEIR 2006 WASTEWATER AVERAGE IS LOWER, THAN THIS NEW '05 '06 AVERAGE IS LOWER, WE WILL USE THE LOWER OF THE TWO, EITHER A NEW AVERAGE FOR 2005-2006 OR IF 2006 IS LOWER, THAT'S THE -- THE VOLUME THAT WOULD BE USED. SO THIS IS A -- THIS IS A GOOD NEWS, WE JUST WANTED TO RECOGNIZE WITH THIS UNUSUAL CONDITIONS DID WANT TO GIVE OUR CUSTOMERS A BREAK ON THE WASTEWATER AVERAGE FOR THE NEXT YEAR.

THANK YOU, MR. LIPPE, COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ?

Alvarez: THANKS, MAYOR, THANK YOU, MR. LIPPE, CITY MANAGER FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD. WE HAVE RECEIVED SEVERAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM CONSTITUENTS ABOUT, YOU KNOW, THE METHODOLOGY AND HOW IT MIGHT AFFECT OUR CUSTOMERS DURING THIS - - THIS DROUGHT SEASON OR INORDINATE DROUGHT CONDITIONS THAT WE HAVE SEEN, YOU KNOW, THIS PARTICULAR YEAR AND IT SEEMS LIKE A -- YOU KNOW, A FAIR WAY TO -- TO TRY TO RESOLVE, YOU KNOW, SOME OF

THE ISSUES AND CONCERNS RAISED. IS IT SOMETHING WITH A ONE-TIME FIX OR SOMETHING THAT MAY BE USED IF WE EVER ENCOUNTER THIS SITUATION AGAIN.

WHAT'S PROPOSED AT THIS POINT IS JUST ONE THIS ONE TIME BECAUSE OF THE UNUSUAL -- USUALLY DRY CONDITIONS, BUT IN THE FUTURE IF THAT HAPPENS AGAIN WE CAN TAKE ANOTHER LOOK AT IT.

WE CAN CERTAINLY LEARN FROM THIS EXPERIENCE.

JUST A NOTE, ONE THING THAT WE CURRENTLY DO THAT'S A LITTLE BIT DIFFERENT THAN MOST CITIES, WE TAKE THE THREE WINTER MONTHS AND WE DROP THE HIGHEST WATER USAGE MONTH OF THOSE THREE. SO WE DO THAT ANYWAY EVERY YEAR. SOME CITIES IN RESPONSE TO THIS DROUGHT, THAT'S WHAT THEY ARE DOING JUST THIS YEAR IS THEY ARE DROPPING -- DROPPING THAT HIGH WATER USE MONTH. AUSTIN DOES THAT EVERY YEAR, SO THAT -- THAT HELPS TAKE SOME OF THE VARIATION OUT AND ADDS SOME OF THOSE DRY MONTHS THAT MAY OCCUR EVERY YEAR, BUT FOR THIS YEAR IT WAS EXTRAORDINARY BECAUSE PRETTY MUCH THE ENTIRE WINTER WAS DRY, PEOPLE NEEDED TO WATER THEIR LAWNS AND THEIR TREES. SO THAT WOULD HAVE IMPACTED THE BILL FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE YEAR. BY THIS AVERAGING LAST YEAR WAS NORMAL LOWER THAN NORMAL, THIS YEAR IS HIGHER. COMES OUT PRETTY MUCH WHAT WE PROJECT AS A NORMALIZED WEATHER PATTERN.

Alvarez: THANK YOU AGAIN, MR. LIPPE.

FURTHER COMMENTS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA?

Alvarez: MAYOR?

Mayor Wynn: COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ, YES? >>

Alvarez: ON ITEM 43, A QUICK COMMENT IT'S AN ITEM CO-SPONSORED BY MAYOR WYNN AND COUNCILMEMBER LEFFINGWELL AND MYSELF. IT RELATES TO A PIECE OF PROPERTY OWNED BY THE ELECTRIC UTILITY NEAR JUSTIN LANE AND LAMAR BOULEVARD AND YOU MAY HAVE NOTICED

THAT FROM TIME TO TIME WHEN YOU DRIVE THROUGH THE AREA, BUT IT'S ABOUT A FIVE AND A HALF ACRE SITE, IT ACTUALLY LOCATED ACROSS FROM THE HUNTSMAN TRACT THAT'S BEING REDEVELOPED, BASICALLY RIGHT ON A COMMUTER RAIL STOP AND -- AND SO -- SO WHAT THIS WOULD DO IS TO DIRECT THE CITY MANAGER AND AUSTIN ENERGY TO ANALYZE THE FEASIBILITY OF FOABL RELOCATING THAT PARTICULAR USE TO EVALUATE THE COSTS AND BENEFITS OF THAT TO SEE IF -- IF THERE ISN'T A WAY THAT IT CAN BETTER CONTRIBUTE TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE T.O.D. DISTRICT FOR THAT JUSTIN LANE RAIL TOP STOP. I THINK THAT'S REALLY THE SPIRIT HERE. THERE'S A WAY THIS CAN WORK FOR THE UTILITY, BUT ALSO FOR THE -- FOR THIS TYPE OF -- OF TRANSIT ORIENTED MIXED USE DEVELOPMENT IN THESE TRANSIT NOTES THAT WILL BE CREATED WHEN COMMUTER RAIL IS A REALITY HERE IN OUR COMMUNITY AND SO WE WILL BE RECEIVING A REPORT BACK IN A FEW MONTHS ON THAT -- ON THAT -- ON THE RESULTS OF THE ANALYSIS BUT THANKS TO STAFF AND AUSTIN ENERGY FOR THEIR HELP IN -- IN LOOKING AT THIS PARTICULAR MATTER. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: SKID MARK IN. >>COUNCILMEMBER MCCRACKEN?

I WOULD LIKE TO HEAR FROM AUSTIN ENERGY, THIS WAS IN EITHER DECEMBER OR JANUARY, MY UNDERSTANDING WAS THAT IT WAS MOVING FORWARD WITH THE MAN FOR TO SCALE BACK OR MOVE THAT FACILITY. SO MAYBE WE COULD GET APPEAR INITIAL READ ON THIS. THIS IS SOMETHING THAT WE TOOK UP, COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ CAN TAKE THE INITIATIVE ON IT. IF THERE'S -- GIVE US A REPORT ON WHERE ALL OF THIS IS.

JUAN GARZA?

WHILE HE'S COMING UP, SORRY, MAYOR, I JUST WOULD SAY THAT -- THAT -- THAT OBVIOUSLY I DIDN'T REALIZE IF IT HAD WITHIN DISCUSSED BY THE COMMITTEE ITSELF, SO -- BUT OBVIOUSLY IT'S SOMETHING THAT -- THAT, YOU KNOW, SEEMS TO MAKE SENSE. I ACTUALLY DISCOVERED IT WHEN I WAS DOING A HIGH RAIL TOUR ON THE COMMUTER RAIL LINE, WHEN I -- WHEN I CAME ON THE CAPITAL METRO

BOARD AND NOTICED ALONG THE WAY THAT THERE'S ACTUALLY SEVERAL CITY-OWNED PIECES OF PROPERTY AND THIS ONE JUST JUMPED OUT AT YOU BECAUSE IT'S RIGHT ACROSS WHERE THERE'S ALREADY A PLAN, SO PRETTY SIGNIFICANT TRANSIT ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT, YOU KNOW, ON THE HUNTSMAN TRACT. SO THAT'S -- THAT'S SORT OF THE AGAIN NISES OF THIS ITEM -- GENESIS OF THIS ITEM. BUT THANKS FOR POINTING OUT THAT THE LAND USE COMMITTEE HAD ALSO VISITED THIS ISSUE.

McCracken: I THINK IT SHOWS THE -- THE COMMON INTERESTS THAT WE HAVE THE CAPITAL METRO BOARD MEMBERS AND OUR LAND USE TRANSPORTATION MEMBERS ARE ALL -- ARE INDEPENDENTLY SEEING THIS, IT'S A GOOD SIGN OF WHERE THE COUNCIL IS ON THIS, YEAH.

MAYOR, JUAN GARZA, GENERAL MANAGER OF AUSTIN ENERGY. I WAS ACTUALLY VERY PROUD OF OUR STAFF ON THIS PIECE OF WORK BECAUSE THEY HAD ANTICIPATED THAT THIS WOULD HAPPEN. MANY MONTHS AGO THEY HAD BEGUN PLANNING, INVENTORYING WHAT WE HAVE THERE, INVENTORYING THE SITES ELSEWHERE IN THE CITY OR IN THE AREA THAT WE COULD MOVE THOSE ACTIVITIES TO. SO WE ARE WELL INTO THAT STUDY. AND I EXPECT TO COME BACK TO THE CITY COUNCIL SHORTLY WITH A RECOMMENDATION AS TO WHAT WE WILL DO WITH ALL OF THOSE ACTIVITIES THERE. SO WE ARE VERY MUCH COMMITTED TO GETTING THIS DONE.

THE TIMING ON THE LIKELY PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS?

MAYOR, THE -- IT SHOULDN'T TAKE MORE THAN A COUPLE OF MONTHS. THERE'S AN APPRAISAL THAT WILL BE INVOLVED, WE ARE ACTUALLY WORKING WITH SOME FOLKS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN REDEVELOPING THAT WHOLE AREA AND WE ARE LOOKING AT A DIFFERENT SITE, A LITTLE BIT AWAY FROM THE CORE OF THE CITY WHERE WE CAN CONSOLIDATE SOME OF OUR OPERATIONS FROM TRANSMISSION DISTRIBUTION AS WELL AS OUR RECLAIM NATION YARD. SO I WOULD SAY PROBABLY A COUPLE OF MONTHS, WE WILL COME BACK TO THE CITY COUNCIL.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. QUESTIONS, OF MR. GARZA,

COUNCIL? THANK YOU, SIR. WE HAVE A MOTION AND A SECOND ON THE CONSENT AGENDA, FURTHER COMMENTS? I'LL JUST SAY ITEM NO. 26 WAS SORT OF A LATE BREAKING ADDENDUM. THE MAYOR PRO TEM AND COUNCILMEMBER KIM AND I COMPRISED WHAT HAS BEEN THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE. BUT NOW THAT -- THAT WE KNOW WE WILL BE GOING INTO A SPECIAL SESSION AROUND -- IN JUST A FEW WEEKS, TO BE MORE INITIATE WITH INFORMATION FLOW TO AND FROM THE LOBBY TEAM AND THE CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE AND THE COUNCIL. THIS ACTION SIMPLY DECLARES THE COUNCIL AS A WHOLE AS THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE FOR THE LEGISLATIVE ISSUES AND WE LIKELY EACH THURSDAY OVER THESE NEXT FEW WEEKS, LEADING UP TO AND DURING THE SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE SESSION, COUNCILMEMBERS LIKELY WILL BE BRIEFED AND COORDINATING WITH THE LOBBY EFFORTS AT THE CAPITOL REGARDING WHAT IS SEEN AS A SORT OF A PROPERTY TAX SCHOOL FINANCE SERIES OF LEGISLATIVE ISSUES. SO WE APPRECIATE THE SUPPORT FOR THIS MOVE. FURTHER COMMENTS? HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

Wynn: OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF 7-0. THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH. SO, COUNCIL, I THINK THAT'S ACTUALLY ALL OF OUR DISCUSSION ITEMS BEFORE OUR CITIZENS COMMUNICATION AT NOON, SO WITHOUT OBJECTION WE WILL GO INTO CLOSED SECTION PURSUANT TO SECTION 551.071 OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT TO DISCUSS POTENTIALLY LEGAL ISSUES ITEM NO. 47, RELATED TO DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE AIRPORT GARAGE, 48, RELATED TO 48, ITEM NO. 49 RELATED TO SAVE OUR SPRINGS, INC., RELATED TO THE CITY OF AUSTIN. WE MAY ALSO IN CLOSED SESSION, PURSUANT TO 551.074 TAKE UP PERSONNEL MATTERS, ITEM 45 AND 46 RELATED TO THE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION, COMPENSATION BENEFITS FOR OUR CITY AUDITOR AND/OR CITY CLERK. WE ARE NOW IN CLOSED SESSION, I ANTICIPATE US COMING BACK OUT AT NOON RIGHT IN TIME FOR OUR CITIZENS COMMUNICATION, THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

EVERYONE IS READY, GOOD MORNING, THANK YOU ALL

VERY MUCH FOR BEING HERE, I'M AUSTIN MAYOR WILL WYNN, JOINED BY BREWSTER MCCRACKEN AND LEE LEFFINGWELL, JUAN GARZA, AS WELL AS SEVERAL OTHER PROFESSIONALS FROM AUSTIN ENERGY, TODAY I'M GOING TO KICK-OFF THIS FUN EVENT BY DECLARING IT CHOOSE CLEAN DAY. BEFORE I READ THE PROCLAMATION, I WANT TO SAY MY HAT IS OFF TO THE PROFESSIONALS AT AUSTIN ENERGY WHO HAVE BEEN LEADING THE NATION IN THE RETAIL SALE OF RENEWABLE ENERGY THROUGH OUR GREEN CHOICE PROGRAM THAT HAS BEGUN BACK IN 2000. WE NOW HAVE ALMOST 8,000 HOUSEHOLD IN AUSTIN, THAT PURCHASE THEIR ELECTRICITY, ENERGY THROUGH OUR VOLUNTEER GREEN CHOICE PROGRAM. COUNCILMEMBER MCCRACKEN WILL TALK ABOUT INTERESTING DYNAMICS THAT OCCURRED ECONOMICALLY TO MAKE THIS NECESSARY, REALLY. ALL THAT WE HAVE GOING DO IS RAFFLE OFF THE ABILITY FOR THE NEXT WAVE OF CUSTOMERS TO BE PART OF THE PROGRAM. OUR PROCLAMATION READS: BE IT KNOWN WHEREAS THE CITY OF AUSTIN IS THE NATION'S LARGEST CLEAN ENERGY PROVIDER AND AUSTINITES ARE RESPONDING WELL TO THE CITY'S ONGOING EFFORTS TO ENCOURAGE WATER AND ENERGY CONSERVATION BY ITS RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL INSTITUTIONAL AND MULTI-FAMILY CUSTOMERS. WHEREAS MORE THAN 5,000 RESIDENTS RECENTLY VIED FOR THE 1400 AVAILABLE SPOTS TO BECOME GREEN CHOICE SUBSCRIBERS WHOSE ENERGY COMES FROM RENEWABLE SOURCES RATHER THAN FROM NATURAL GAS OR COAL POWER PLANTS. WE THANK OUR CITIZENS FOR BEING PROACTIVE AND PROTECTING OUR ENVIRONMENT AS EVIDENCED BY THEIR PARTICIPATION IN THE CITY'S MANY AND VARIED REBATE, RECYCLING, WATER ENERGY CONSERVATION PROGRAMS, NOW THERE EVER I WILL WYNN, MAYOR THE AUSTIN, DO HEREBY DECLARE TODAY, MARCH 23rd AS CHOOSE CLEAN DAY IN AUSTIN. I WOULD LIKE TO TURN THE PODIUM OVER TO COUNCILMEMBER MCCRACKEN WHO CAME UP WITH A VERY CLEVER IDEA OF HOW TO PROMOTE THE ONGOING EFFORTS OF OUR GREEN CHOICE PROGRAM.

THIS HAS BEEN AN INTERESTING MOMENT, THE FIRST TIME THAT WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO FIND THAT A UTILITY HAS AT

THE SAME TIME OFFERED CLEAN ENERGY, THE OPEN MARKET COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND THEN REGULAR COAL GAS NUCLEAR ENERGY ON THE OPEN MARKET COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND THE WIND SOLAR PACKAGE CAME IN CHEAPER. WE WANTED TO GIVE EVERYBODY A SHOT TO GET CLEAN ENERGY AT A CHEAPER PRICE. WE ARE ONE OF THREE UTILITIES IN THE NATION DISCOVERING CLEAN ENERGY IS CHEAP ARE THAN REGULAR COAL GAS NUCLEAR ENERGY. WE HAD A LOTTERY, DRAWING, OUR LAWYERS TELL US TO USE CERTAIN WORD. WEWE'VE HAD I BELIEVE OVER 5,000 PEOPLE SEND IN TICKETS FOR ABOUT 1400 SLOTS. ALSO A LARGE BUSINESS AND SMALL BUSINESS ALSO WHO WERE SELECTED REPRESENTED HERE TODAY. WE WILL SPRUCE THEM IN A SECOND. BUT FIRST I WILL TURN IT OVER TO COUNCILMEMBER LEFFINGWELL.

I WILL BE VERY BRIEF. I'M VERY PROUD OF OUR CITY OWNED UTILITY AUSTIN ENERGY. THEY HAVE LED THE NATION IN SALES OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS IN A ROW. WE HAVE SET THE GOAL OF DERIVING 20% OF OUR ENERGY FROM RENEWABLE SOURCES BY THE YEAR 2020. WE ARE WELL ON TRACK TO ACHIEVE THAT. AGAIN I'M VERY PROUD, THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. GARZA FOR LEADING THAT EFFORT.

McCracken: NOW WE HAVE JUAN GARZA WITH AUSTIN ENERGY, THE GENERAL MANAGER OF AUSTIN ENERGY AND THE LEADER OF THE NATION'S MOST SUCCESSFUL CLEAN ENERGY PROGRAM OF ANY PUBLIC UTILITY IN THE COUNTRY. JUAN?

THANK YOU, I'LL TRY TO BE VERY BRIEF, ALSO. LET ME JUST SAY ON BEHALF OF AUSTIN ENERGY, I WANT TO THANK THE CITY COUNCIL AND CITY MANAGER FOR THE LEADERSHIP THAT THEY HAVE SHOWN US. THEY HAVE POINTED US IN THE DIRECTION AND I ALSO WANT TO THANK OUR STAFF FOR -- FOR PRODUCING, FOR FOLLOWING THAT DIRECTION AND MAKING AUSTIN ENERGY ONE OF THE HEERDZ IN THE COUNTRY FOR GREEN PROGRAMS AND CONSERVATION. THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH.

McCracken: NOW WE HAVE OUR LOCAL SMALL BUSINESS WHO IS CHOSEN TO GO CLEAN, OPAL DIVINE, MICHAEL

MARKER WITH OPAL DIVINES.

THANK YOU, MAYOR WYNN, COUNCILMEMBER MCCRACKEN, LEFFINGWELL, MR. GARZA, OPAL DIVINE IS HONORED TO HAVE BEEN SELECTED AS A PARTICIPANT IN AUSTIN'S GREEN ENERGY PROGRAM. WE ARE VERY THANKFUL TO LIVE IN A CITY LIKE AUSTIN THAT IS PROGRESSIVE ENOUGH TO FUND AND SUCCESSFULLY MANAGE PROGRAMS LIKE THIS. WE BELIEVE THAT THIS KIND OF PROGRAM IS THE FUTURE OF POWER GENERATION IN AUSTIN AND TEXAS AND BEYOND. AS WE ARE SAYING AT OPAL'S, IT'S WORTH IT TO PARTICIPATE IN A PROGRAM LIKE THIS. IT KIND OF REMINDS ME OF YEARS AGO I WAS HAVING A CONVERSATION WITH A FRIEND, HE WAS TALKING ABOUT, POO-POOING ORGANIC PRODUCE COMING ON TO THE SCENE AT THE TIME. IT'S NOT WORTH IT A GIMMICK. IT'S NOT. I LOOKED AT HIM, TWO APPLES HERE, ONE IS PRODUCED WITH CHEMICALLY BOOSTED SOILS, IT'S BEEN SPRAYED WITH PESTICIDES, IT'S BEEN PUT WAX ON IT. AND I GOT ANOTHER ONE HERE THAT WAS GROWN NATURALLY AND ORGANICALLY, NO PESTICIDES AND NO -- NOTHING UNNATURAL AT ALL. WHICH ONE DO YOU WANT TO EAT? AND HE SAYS WELL I'LL TAKE THE ORGANIC ONE. TO ME IT'S WHAT THE CITY IS DOING, OPAL DIVINES, HOLDING OUT KILOWATT HOUR, NUCLEAR, NATURAL GAS FIRED, AUSTIN DOES GO TO GET LENGTHS TO GET AS CLEAN OF POWER AS POSSIBLE, COAL FIRED PLANTS AND SUCH, ONE THAT'S PRODUCED WITH TEXAS WIND, BIO GAS, A LITTLE BIT OF SUN, LIKE OPAL DIVINES IN THE RESTAURANT BUSINESS WE CALL IT A NO BRAINER. WE ARE GOING TO TAKE THIS ONE OVER HERE, WE FEEL VERY FORTUNATE TO BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN A PROGRAM LIKE THIS. I'M ACTUALLY APOLOGIZE FOR TAKING SO LONG TO JOIN IT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

McCracken: AND NEXT OUR LARGE BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVE AS YOU MAY ALREADY KNOW, MOST OF OUR LARGE EMPLOYERS IN AUSTIN, INCLUDING DELL, A.M.D., EXPANSION, WHOLE FOODS, H.E.B., TOKYO ELECTRON, ROUND ROCK I.S.D., AISD, YOU NAME IT, ALL GREEN CHOICE CUSTOMERS. MY FAMILY WHEN WE JOINED IT IN 2000, THE REGULAR FUEL CHARGE FOR COAL GAS NUCLEAR IS 3.63 CENTS A KILOWATT HOUR. BECAUSE WE JOINED GREEN CHOICE IN 2000, OUR FUEL CHARGE IS 1.7 CENTS. IT IS

ALMOST 50% CHEAPER BECAUSE WE ARE FORTUNATE ENOUGH IN THE MCCRACKEN HOUSEHOLD TO JOIN IN 2000. THAT'S WHY BUSINESSES ARE JOINING IT. OUR LARGE LOCAL EMPLOYER TODAY IS HIGHLAND MALL. AND WE HAVE A -- THE MARKETING MANAGER, MONICA BLACK BURN WITH HIGHLAND MALL.

WE JUST WANTED TO THANK YOU ALL FOR LETTING US PARTICIPATE. HIGHLAND MALL AND ITS MERCHANTS ARE THRILLED TO PARTNER WITH THE CITY OF AUSTIN IN THE GREEN CHOICE PROGRAM. WE ARE ABLE TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE COMMUNITY BY BEING RESPONSIBLE WITH OUR ENERGY CHOICES AN WE ARE JUST SO HAPPY TO BE ABLE TO DO THAT. IT'S EXCITING FOR US TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS INNOVATIVE PROGRAM. THAT PROVIDES US ALTERNATIVE ENERGY. WE WOULD JUST LIKE TO THANK AUSTIN ENERGY AND THE CITY OF AUSTIN FOR LETTING US BE A -- PARTNERS WITH YOU. THANKS.

NOW FOR THE FUN PART, YOU HAVE HEARD FROM A LOCAL BUSINESS THAT'S GOING TO GET CLEAN ENERGY AND SAVE MONEY AT THE SAME TIME. YOU HAVE HEARD FROM LARGE EMPLOYER THAT'S GOING TO GET CLEAN ENERGY AND SAVE MONEY AT THE SAME TIME. NOW YOU ARE GOING TO HEAR ABOUT -- ABOUT WHO ARE THE FORTUNATE WINNERS WITH THE OPPORTUNITY TO SAVE MONEY IN THEIR UTILITY BILL, CONTRIBUTE TO CLEANER AIR AT THE SAME TIME. JUAN, HOW ARE WE GOING TO PICK THE WINNERS HERE?  
[INDISCERNIBLE]

OKAY.

THE WINNER IS FRAN PATTERSON, 12011 BELL AVENUE IN AUSTIN. AND ANOTHER WINNER IN -- TO GET CLEAN ENERGY AND SAVE MONEY AT THE SAME TIME CAROLYN BIBLE, AND SO WE HAVE HER CUSTOMER NUMBER ON THERE, BUT CAROLYN ALSO IS A WINNER. MAYOR, WE HAVE -- JUAN, YOU GOT ONE FOR US?

LINDA BUTLER IN AUSTIN.

CAN YOU EXPLAIN HOW WE WILL PICK THE REST OF THE

PEOPLE.

WE WILL CONTINUE DRAWING, WE WILL CONTINUE DRAWING THEM ONE AT A TIME UNTIL WE HAVE REACHED THE LIMIT OF WHAT'S AVAILABLE. THERE IS AMPLE TO -- TO PICK PROBABLY AROUND 12, 1300 CUSTOMERS. WHO WILL BE WINNERS AT THE END OF THE DAY.

OKAY. OKAY, I HAVE JAMES HICKS, 8004 SPANDERA DRIVE IN AUSTIN.

ANOTHER WINNER IS ORA HOUSTON, FROM EAST 22nd STREET AND SHE -- SHE IS GOING TO BE ABLE TO CHOOSE CLEAN AND SAVE GREEN.

WE HAVE DAN WHITE, FROM 5925 MAURICE TRAIL IN AUSTIN. THAT MEANS WE ONLY HAVE 1390 MORE TO GO. [LAUGHTER] ANYONE WANT TO HANG OUT? WELL, THANKS A LOT FOR COMING TODAY. THIS HAS APPROVED ONCE AGAIN THAT THE CITY ZEST INVESTMENT IN FORWARD THINKING TECHNOLOGIES HAS NOT JUST PRODUCED BETTER QUALITY BUT PRODUCING MORE ECONOMIC PROSPERITY FOR AUSTIN, IT'S A WINNER ALL THE WAY AROUND, THANKS A LOT.

WE ARE OUT OF CLOSED SESSION. IN CLOSED SESSION WE TOOK UP AND ARE STILL TAKING UP TWO OF OUR PERSONNEL ITEMS, ITEMS 45 AND 46. MS. FWENT TEE, WE WILL NOT TAKE -- MS. GENTRY WE WILL NOT TAKE UP ITEMS 47 OR 48 TODAY. IT COULD BE REMOVED FROM THE AGENDA. WE ARE NOW BACK IN OPEN SESSION, WE GO TO OUR 12:00 GENERAL CITIZENS COMMUNICATION, A HANDFUL OF FOLKS WHO WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS US. THE FIRST IS MR. ROBERT McDONALD. WELCOME, ROBERT. YOU WILL BE FOLLOWED BY PAUL ROBBINS, FOLLOWED BY COLIN CLARK.

GOOD MORNING, MAYOR, THE REST OF THE CITY COUNCIL. I HAVE A FRIEND THAT USED TO HAVE -- IT'S ALL COMES UP IN REGARDS TO -- TO FAIR BUSINESS PRACTICE. THERE'S LEGAL ISSUES AND STUFF AND ALL OF THAT, BUT SOMETIMES I THINK MAYBE THE LEGAL ISSUES SHOULD BE SET ASIDE AND JUST GO FOR COMMON SENSE AND FAIR BUSINESS PRACTICE. I HAVE A FRIEND THAT USED TO OWN --

A RESALE SHOP CALLED AUSTIN FOUND. NOW, SHE GOT STRESSED OUT WHEN CITY CODE AND COMPLIANCE CAME BY AND TOLD HER YOUR PLACE LOOKS TOO YOUNG JUNKIE, SHE CLOSED UP SHOT, IS TRYING TO DO IT AGAIN IN A MORE APPEALING WAY TO THE CITY. BUT WE HAVE FIVE GENTLEMEN THAT CAME TOGETHER AND STARTED THIS CITY-WIDE FLEA MARKET CALLED AUSTIN FOUND. TRADE RIGHTS ALL OF THAT, THEY MAY BE ABLE TO GET AWAY FROM IT. IT'S STILL UNFAIR. SHE'S A MINORITY. WOMAN BUSINESS OWNER, SHE HAD A LITTLE DIFFICULTY, I DON'T THINK OTHER PEOPLE SHOULD TAKE ADVANTAGE OF HER HARD EARNED NAME. I WOULD ASK THE CITY COUNCIL TO LOOK INTO THAT AND SEE WHY AN ORGANIZATION LIKE THAT, STEALING SOMEBODY ELSE'S NAME. FUNCTIONING ON CITY PROPERTY. AND, MAYOR, WHEN YOU ARE DONE BEING MAYOR OF AUSTIN, PLEASE RUN FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR. IT WILL BE GREAT FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS. YOU ALL HAVE A GREAT DAY. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. McDONALD.

PAUL ROBBINS, WELCOME, PAUL, FOLLOWED BY COLIN CLARK, FOLLOWED BY CHRIS JOHNSON.

COUNCIL, ALL EYES FIXED ON ME. I'M HERE TO EXPRESS MY DISAPPOINTMENT IN THE WAY THAT YOU ALL HANDLED THE SAVE OUR SPRINGS INITIATIVE PETITION TO CHANGE THE CHARTER. IT'S NOT THE FACT THAT YOU OPPOSE IT THAT BOTHERS ME. IT'S THAT YOU TWISTED THE BALLOT LANGUAGE INTO SOMETHING SO WHOLLY DIFFERENT. I WAS NOT ACTIVE IN THIS CAMPAIGN BUT I AM A VETERAN OF THREE CHARTER CAMPAIGNS, TWO OF WHICH WERE ON THE BALLOT. ONE OF THEM WAS THE TOWN LAKE PARK ALLIANCE. IN 1985 A GROUP OF NEIGHBORHOOD ACTIVISTS WANTED TO PUT A PARK ON TOWN LAKE INSTEAD OF A CONVENTION CENTER. THE CITY RECENTLY BROKE GROUND ON THIS, SO OBVIOUSLY YOU ALL DON'T THINK THAT WAS A BAD IDEA. THE SECOND WAS THE ENVIRONMENTAL CHARTER AMENDMENT CAMPAIGN IN 1991. WHERE ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVISTS TRIED TO ENSCONCE CERTAIN MINIMUM LEVELS OF FUNDING FOR THE CITY'S ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS IN THE CITY CHARTER. YOU ALL CHAMPIONED THESE REGULARLY. THERE'S A

COMPETITION BETWEEN THE MAYOR AND BREWSTER MCCrackEN OVER WHICH ONE IS GOING TO CHAMPION THE CITY'S CLEAN ENERGY PROGRAMS MORE. SO OBVIOUSLY THESE DON'T DISAGREE WITH YOU, EITHER. BUT BACK THEN, THESE WERE CHALLENGING THE STATUS QUO. THE MAJORITY OF THE CITY COUNCIL WAS AGAINST THEM AND SAID SO. BUT THEY DIDN'T MANGLE THE INTENT OF THE WORDING. THE FRENCH WRITER AND PHILOSOPHER VOLTAIR IS FAMOUS FOR SAYING I DISAPPROVE OF WHAT YOU SAY, BUT I WILL DEFEND TO THE DEATH YOUR RIGHT TO SAY IT. THIS IS ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF THINGS THAT I HAVE BROUGHT BEFORE THE COUNCIL IN THE LAST FEW WEEKS ABOUT HOW THE AVERAGE AUSTINITE IS NO LONGER ABLE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, MR. ROBBINS, WELCOME, COLIN CLARK, FOLLOWED BY CHRIS JOHNSON. GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR AND COUNCIL, COLIN CLARK WITH SAVE OUR SPRINGS ALLIANCE, A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO WE SHOWED YOU A ROUGH CUT OF OUR CARTOON ABOUT A.M.D. WE WOULD LIKE TO SHOW YOU THE FINAL VERSION, WHICH IS NOW AVAILABLE AT [SOS ALLIANCE.ORG](http://SOSALLIANCE.ORG). AND YOU HAVE [MOVEAMD.COM](http://MOVEAMD.COM). IF YOU COULD ROLL IT, WE WILL LET THE SALAMANDER DO THE TALKING.

IT WAS A SLEEPY COLLEGE TOWN WHERE PEOPLE SWAM IN CLEAN FLOWING SWINGS AND SUNSET HAS THE VIOLET CROWN. THE PEOPLE WERE SMART AND HEALTHY. BIG COMPANIES MADE IT HOME. THEY BUILT ALL KINDS OF BUILDINGS IN THE DESIRED DEVELOPMENT ZONE. FAR AWAY FROM THE MAGIC HILLS WHERE RAIN FLOWED THROUGH THE AQUIFER AND FED THE FISH, THE BIRD AND THE BEES. AND EVEN ME. A LITTLE SALAMANDER. THEY LOVED THE LAND IN BARTON SPRINGS AND WORKED HARD TO KEEP THE WATER CLEAN. THEY VOTED FOR BONDS TO BUY A PRESERVE TO KEEP THE HILL COUNTRY NATURALLY GREEN! BUT THEN ONE DAY A BIG COMPANY SAID, WE WANT TO BUILD IN THE WATERSHED, 3,000 EMPLOYEES THERE, AND WE WON'T POLLUTE. WE PROMISE. THEY SAID. THEY THUMBED THEIR NOSE AT 30 YEARS OF CITY PLANNING TO SAVE OUR SPRINGS. IMAGINE MY SHOCK WHEN I FOUND OUT THE BUILDINGS COULD EQUAL TWO OF THREE OF THESE THINGS. THE PEOPLE KNEW THIS WAS A BAD IDEA. THEY

WROTE TO A.M.D.'S BIG CHEESE, DON'T POISON OUR WATER,  
OUR AQUIFER, PLEASE DON'T DO THAT, MR. HECTOR RUIZ.  
THE HIGHWAYS, MALLS AND PARKING LOTS WILL CHOKO THE  
LIFE RIGHT OUT OF HERE. IT WILL STRIP THE SOIL FROM THE  
HILLS AND KILL BARTON SPRINGS YEAR BY YEAR. A.M.D.  
BUILDS MORE WILL FOLLOW WITH CONDOS, CHAIN STORES,  
DRIVE THROUGHS AND BARS. BULLDOZERS, TRUCKS, TOXIC  
CHEMICALS AND EVERYDAY TENS OF THOUSANDS OF CARS.  
I WISH I KNEW THE END OF THIS STORY, THE PEOPLE OF  
AUSTIN WILL WRITE THE REST. THEY CAN WIN THE FIGHT TO  
SAVE THE SPRINGS IF THEY DO WHAT THEY KNOW IS BEST. [  
(music) MUSIC PLAYING (music)(music) ]

TO INSPIRE YOU AND THE REST OF THE CITY TO DO AS  
MUCH AS YOU CAN AND CERTAINLY MORE THAN YOU HAVE,  
TO PROTECT WHAT MAKES AUSTIN SPECIAL AND CONVINCED  
THIS LARGE COMPANY NOT TO MOVE ON TO OUR MOST  
FRAGILE WATERSHED. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, MR. CLARK.

Mayor Wynn: CHRIS JOHNSON, I HAVEN'T SEEN IN THE ROOM.  
MR. CHRIS JOHNSON. WE WILL SAVE HIS SPOT FOR A FEW  
MINUTES. JENNIFER GALE. WELCOME, JENNIFER, YOU WILL  
HAVE THREE MINUTES, FOLLOWED BY PAUL AVINA, SO IF I'M  
MISPRONOUNCING THAT, FOLLOWED BY PAT JOHNSON.

HI, AUSTIN. THIS SATURDAY, YOU CAN LEARN ABOUT HOW  
TO TAKE CARE OF OUR CATS AND DOGS AND OTHER  
ANIMALS AT THE CAPITAL CITY COMEDY CLUB. MR.  
WINEGRAD IS GOING TO DISCUSS HIS NO KILL ORDINANCE.  
REDUCING THE DEATH OF ANIMALS ONLY TO THE SICK AND  
INJURED AND THOSE THAT AREN'T DOING WELL. SO ...  
MAYOR, MAYOR WYNN, COUNCILMEMBERS, I'M JENNIFER  
GALE, HARD WORKING EMPLOYEES, WE -- I WOULD LIKE TO  
SAY TO THE NEWSPAPER RUMBO, I'LL MISS YOU, WE CAN  
STILL LOOK YOU UP TO DIAROSRUMBO.COM. ROY'S IS  
PULLING A FAST ONE TURNING THEIR PERMS OVER TO  
YELLOW CAB THAT TURN OUT THEIR OWN SICK AND  
INJURED, PLEASE LET'S NOT DO THIS. REUSABLES. THE --  
THE CITY OF AUSTIN IS PUTTING OUT A FAMILIAR PAMPHLET  
FOR REUSEABLES SO YOU CAN LEARN HOW THE CITY OF  
AUSTIN IS DOING REUSABLES. IT'S -- WE NEED MORE WIDE-

SPREAD REUSABLE. I'M SORRY. RECYCLING. NOT REUSABLES. I'M ASKING THE CITY HAVE AN ORDINANCE THAT DEMANDS THAT WE USE REUSABLES, SOLID CUPS, BECAUSE PEOPLE USE ONE OF THESE EVERY DAY, TWO OR THREE OF THESE A DAY. WE FILL UP OUR -- OUR LANDFILLS WITH THESE CUPS. WHEREAS IF WE HAD AN ORDINANCE THAT REQUIRED THAT -- THAT OUR RESTAURANTS AND EMPLOYEES LIKE MANY OF THEM DO USE REUSABLES, WE CAN SIMPLY REWASH IT, SO THAT WE ARE NOT THROWING IT INTO THE LANDFILL. IF WE GET A DEPOSIT ON OUR -- ON OUR REUSABLES, CONDITIONS AND BOTTLES, THEN WE CAN ACTUALLY BRING IN MONEY TO THE CITY, USE THAT MONEY TO PAY THE HOMELESS TO PICK UP OUR STREETS AND PARKS, WHICH WE ARE NOT DOING RIGHT NOW. SO WE CAN - - BUSINESSES WILL BENEFIT BY SAVING TENS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS BY USING REUSABLES RATHER THAN GARBAGE LIKE THIS THAT GOES INTO OUR LANDFILLS THAT WE ARE HAVING TO GET MORE LANDFILLS FOR. SO I WANT THAT AS A NEW ORDINANCE. I'M ALSO FOR OPEN GOVERNMENT. OH, BY THE WAY, I STILL HAVEN'T RECEIVED THE \$20,000 THAT I'M OWED FOR THAT [INDISCERNIBLE] ORDINANCE. CAN I SHOW THEM THAT? IT SAYS RIGHT THERE ON C, UNDER NUMBER 1, IT WAS REDACTED, MAKING PREPARATIONS OF SLEEPING, FOR THE PURPOSES OF SLEEPING. THAT WAS TAKEN OUT SO THAT PEOPLE COULD DO IT. NOT SO THEY COULDN'T DO YET. YET I HAVE TWO TICKETS, I'M CHARGING YOU \$10,000. I'M FOR OPEN GOVERNMENT. CITY ATTORNEY DAVID SMITH, CAN -- DOES IT SAY IN THE AMENDMENT BY THE S.O.S. THAT -- THAT IT SAYS THE WORDING AS AND HE SHOWS AS POSSIBLE -- EXPEDITIOUSLY AS POSSIBLE CONCERNING E-MAILS. DOES IT SAY THAT? ATTORNEY GENERAL DAVID SMITH AS EXPEDITIOUSLY AS POSSIBLE CONCERNING THE S.O.S. AMENDMENT ON OPEN GOVERNMENT?

I APOLOGIZE, MS. GALE, I DON'T HAVE THE LANGUAGE RIGHT IN FRONT OF ME.

HAVE YOU EVER SEEN ANY OF THOSE THREE WORDS TOGETHER, AS EXPRESS SHOWS AS POSSIBLE OWE EXPEDITIOUSLY AS POSSIBLE.

I HAVE --

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

DO YOU WANT AN ANSWER OR NOT.

YOU ANSWERED ME.

THAT PHRASE.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

THAT PHRASE COMPETES WITH ANOTHER PHRASE WHICH IS REAL CASH TIME. BUT I WILL BE -- REAL-TIME. HE WILL BE HAPPY TO TALK TO YOU OR HAVE ONE OF THE LAWYERS IN MY OFFICE WORKING MORE CLOSELY WITH THIS TALK TO YOU ABOUT THE SPECIFIC ISSUE. I DID NOT DISCERN FROM YOUR QUESTION WHAT THAT SPECIFIC ISSUE WAS.

THANK YOU, YOU THANKED IT VERY WELL.

THANK YOU, MR. SMITH AND JENNIFER.

PAUL AVINA. WELCOME, PAUL. YOU WILL HAVE THREE MINUTES, FOLLOWED BY PAT JOHNSON.

THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. MY NAME IS PAL AUTOGRAPH PAUL AVINA, MAYOR, COUNCILMEMBERS, MS. FUTRELL, I'M HERE TO REQUEST THAT THE AUSTIN POLICE SCRAP THE TRAFFIC CHECK POINTS IN THE AREA CONFORMED BY NORTH, EAST, SOUTH AUSTIN BECAUSE WE CAN'T AFFORD IT ANYMORE. WE AVERAGE \$1,800 A MONTH. HOW DO WE PAY MULTIPLE \$200 FINES? WITH JAIL TIME. PEOPLE ARE MAKING 20,000 ALREADY. AND I HAVEN'T SEEN THE NEGOTIATED TICKETS. YEARS OF DEPRIVING THESE COMMUNITIES OF THEIR WEALTH BY GIVING IT AWAY TO OUTSIDERS, CRIMINALIZE THE HARD WORKING SECTOR OF AUSTIN, WE ARE JUST [INDISCERNIBLE] TO MENTION TO YOU. OUR BIGGEST CONCERN IS SOME PRIVATE DONORS THAT HAVE PAID A.P.D. OFFICERS TRAVEL EXPENSES FOR THE PURPOSE OF POLICY MAKING. THE SAME GROUP PAID TRAVEL EXPENSES TO A MAYOR WHOSE ORDINANCE HELPED PASS [INDISCERNIBLE] FROM AN EX-POLICEMAN, USED IN THIS RACE, THEY EVEN

PAID FOR THE [INDISCERNIBLE] FORMER GOVERNOR, THERE IS NO TRAFFIC CHECK POINTS WHERE THESE PEOPLE LIVE. WE HAVE ALSO NOTICED THAT MORE BLACK POLICEMEN ARE BEING EMPLOYED TO ENFORCE THESE POLICIES IN EAST AUSTIN. I ALSO NEED TO REMIND YOU THAT I TOLD YOU ABOUT THESE PROSTITUTES WORKING IN THE MORNINGS ABOUT A YEAR AGO WHILE SCHOOL KIDS WERE GETTING ON THEIR BUSES. THOSE WERE BLACK PROSTITUTES, MR. DANNY THOMAS. AND NOW LATINAS ARE INCREASING THEIR NUMBERS, MR. ALVAREZ, NEXT YEAR I WILL BE HERE AGAIN TO TALK ABOUT PROSTITUTION, MORE GHETTOS BEING BUILT, POVERTY AND TICKETING. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. PAUL JOHNSON I'M SORRY PAT JOHNSON, EXCUSE ME, PAT. FOLLOWED BY CAROL ANNE ROSE KENNEDY.

COUNCIL, I JUST CAME FROM THE DOCTOR AND GOT FOUR SHOTS. THE ISSUE THAT NEEDS TO BE TALKED ABOUT TODAY, WE HAVE 1377 ECONOMICSED POLICE OFFICERS -- COMMISSIONERRED POLICE OFFICERS, THE COUNCIL ONLY ALLOCATED 50 TO 60 SLOTS IN THE NEXT CLASS. WHERE I LIVE IN HENRY SECTOR, ENCOMPASSES ALL OF DEL VALLE, HALF OF DEL VALLE HIGH SCHOOL. ON ANY GIVEN SHIFT, WE MAY HAVE FIVE OFFICERS ASSIGNED TO THAT SHIFT, TWO ON BIKES, THREE IN THE CARS, THAT MEANS THERE ARE GOING TO BE MAYBE ONE OUT THERE AT DEL VALLE. WE DO NOT HAVE ENOUGH POLICE OFFICERS. THE ONLY WAY THIS IS GOING TO CHANGE IS THE COUNCIL DEMANDS THAT THE CITY MANAGER ALLOCATE MORE MONEY FOR POLICE OFFICERS. HERE'S THE STATISTIC. THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS HAS A LITTLE OVER 500,000, LESS THAN 600,000 PEOPLE IN THE METROPOLITAN AREA. THEY HAVE 2,000 POLICE OFFICERS. WE HAVE 3 -- OVER 3,000 CITY -- SECRETARIES WITHIN THE CITY RANKS. ONLY 1377 POLICE OFFICERS. BACK IN JULY, WE IMPLEMENTED A PROGRAM AT A.P.D. THAT ALLOWED THE -- STOPPED THE POLICE OFFICERS, QUIT TELLING THE PUBLIC THAT YOUR CAR BEING TOWED IS A CIVIL ISSUE. SINCE THAT PROCESS BEGAN IN JULY, THEY HAVE LOGGED IN CLOSE TO 200 OFFENSE REPORTS FOR ILLEGAL TOWS. CURRENTLY THEY HAVE OVER 150 OFFENSE REPORTS PENDING TO BE INVESTIGATED. THIS IS ONE

DETECTIVE, ONLY ONE DETECTIVE THAT HAS TO -- TO MANAGE THE ZONES ON INSTANT MANAGEMENT, HAS TO INSPECT TOW TRUCKS, HAS TO ISSUE WRECKER LICENSE, TRAINING THE CADETS IN THE ACADEMY IN THE TOWING STATUTE, INSTITUTE THOSE INVESTIGATIONS. THAT IS NOT ADEQUATE SERVICE. WE PAY TAX DOLLARS TO HAVE POLICE OFFICERS SERVE US. WE HAVE TO HAVE SOME HELP DOWN THERE. JUST LIKE IN SOUTH-BY-SOUTHWEST, THERE WAS CLOSE TO A THOUSAND PEOPLE TOWED ILLEGALLY IN TOWN. THEY WERE TOWS CARS OFF THE PUBLIC STREET, NOT SOUTH SIDE, BECAUSE THE ONLY WAY A CAR COULD BE TOWED OFF A PUBLIC STREET IS IF IT'S AUTHORIZED BY A POLICE OFFICER. SURE TOWING DOWN THERE ON 315 LAVACA, PEOPLE PARKED DOWN THERE. I WENT BY THERE THE OTHER NIGHT, THAT NIGHT, THEY WERE TOWING A CAR OFF THE STREET. OF COURSE I CALLED 311 BECAUSE IT'S NOT AN EMERGENCY CALL. AND THE PUBLIC DOESN'T KNOW ANYMORE. WHAT'S LEGAL AND WHAT ISN'T LEGAL AND I THINK IT'S JUST COMMON KNOWLEDGE IF YOU GET TOWED YOU ARE GOING TO HAVE TO PAY. OUR CITIZENS HAVE SUFFERED TOO LONG. THE REVISIONS OF THE RULES, I LOOKED AT THE DRAFT AND, YEAH, I'M IN FAVOR. BUT I HATE TO SAY THIS, BUT YOU ALL DON'T GET -- GOING TO GET SUED. THE TOWING ASSOCIATION, THE PEOPLE IN THAT SITUATION DON'T REPRESENT ALL OF THE TOWING COMPANIES. THERE'S 77 WRECKER TOWING COMPANIES THROUGH TXDOT IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN. ALL THAT I CAN SAY, COUNCIL, IS PLEASE WE AS CITIZENS DESERVE TO BE PROTECTED BY THE POLICE. THAT IS NOT TOO MUCH TO ASK. [BUZZER SOUNDING]

Mayor Wynn: UNDERSTOOD, THANK YOU MR. JOHNSON.

I HAVE A LOT OF RESPECT FOR YOU, MR. THOMAS, YOU, MAYOR, COUNCILMEMBER MCCRACKEN, YOU KNOW, ABOUT PUTTING A CAP ON THE BUDGET FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT SPENDING. WE HAVE GOT TO HAVE MORE POLICE OFFICERS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

THANK YOU, MR. JOHNSON.

CAROLROSEANN KENNEDY, 3 MINUTES FOLLOWED BY

MELISSA JOULWAN.

WHEN I WAS A CHILD, I USED TO GET MY FEELINGS HURT WHEN A TALL, DARK AND HANDSOME WORLD SERIES WANNABE TOLD ME THAT I THROW LIKE A GIRL. MOST OF YOU ALL WHO CAN HEAR ME NOW HAVE BEEN -- HAVE BEEN THE GIVER OR RECEIVER OF THOSE FAMOUS CHOICE WORDS. I HAVE ESTABLISHED A COUNTER-CLAIM OR CHALLENGE FOR EVERY AMERICAN ELECTED OFFICIAL, FROM THE MAYOR OF CUT AND SHOOT TEXAS TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES. AND THAT IS TO WIN A WAR LIKE A WOMAN. NO CASUALTIES, NO ESTRANGEMENTS, NO LOSERS. THROUGHOUT OUR UNION, WE STAND ON A TREMENDOUS, UNTAPPED HUMAN STRENGTH. WHICH HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH GOLD OR OIL OR MONEY. THAT IS THE HUMONGOUS, MOSTLY CATHOLIC AMERICAN FAMILY. THE POPE IS NOT STUPID. ALTHOUGH WITH A TREND OF 2.3 KIDS PER FAMILY, I SEE HE DOESN'T HAVE A PLAN B. MAYBE HE SHOULD FOLLOW OUR LEAD AND GET ADVICE, SOMEONE WHO WILL PROMISE NOT TO SHOOT. I WILL MAKE AN EXAMPLE OF MY FAMILY. ONE MOM, ONE DAD, NINE KIDS. ALL NINE BECAME HEALTHY, HAPPY ADULTS. NO CASUALTIES, NO ESTRANGEMENTS, NO LOSERS. I LIKEN MY EXPERIENCE TO THE ULTIMATE UNITED NATIONS. THE LAWS OF OUR HOMELAND INCLUDED YEARS OF TRAINING, OF THE STRATEGIES OF WAR AND PEACE. ALL OF Y'ALL WERE CREATED EQUAL. IN GOD Y'ALL TRUST OR ELSE. PUNISHMENTS FIT CRIMES. COWBOYS AND INDIANS HAD TO SLEEP IN THE SAME BED, COPS AND ROBBERS HAD TO EAT AT THE SAME TABLE, POOP IN THE SAME POTTY. YOU COULD PLAY DOCTOR, BUT DON'T GET CAUGHT. LATE FOR DINNER, YOU GO TO BED HUNG DEGREE. I NEVER KNEW WHAT A LEFTOVER WAS UNTIL I BECAME A MOTHER OF ONE. DON'T GO WHERE YOU ARE NOT WANTED. IF YOU GO TO THAT WEDDING ANYWAY, THEY WILL JUST REMOVE YOU FROM THE FAMILY PICTURE. THERE WERE NO UNBIRTHDAYS, YOU JUST CAN'T SHARE THE HIGHEST POWER. EVEN FOR ONE DAY. THE TWINS NEVER KNEW HOW THAT FELT. BUT ONLY A WOMAN CAN CONTROL A PRETEEN ARMY OF EIGHT, NO CASUALTIES, NO ESTRANGEMENTS, NO LOSERS. YOU HAD TO BUY A CHRISTMAS PRESENT FOR THE ONE WHO VOMITED ON YOUR BEST DRESS. A WANNABE CINDERELLA BECAME A

WITCH WITH A HAND ME DOWN HALLOWEEN COSTUME. THE WAY TO CHOCOLATE IS THROUGH ONE CARROT AND 40 PEAS. I DON'T HAVE IT IN ME TO KILL FOR MY FREEDOM, HOWEVER I AM WILLING AND ABLE TO DIE FOR MY FREEDOM. THESE CONVICTING CONVICTIONS REGARDING THE LIFE AND DEATH OF A UNITED STATES SOLDIER NURTURE MY WILL OF AMERICAN STEEL TO MAINTAIN UNIVERSAL PEACE. BUT FIRST I BELIEVE I DESERVE THE CHANCE TO WIN THE WAR LIKE A WOMAN. IMPARTIAL, JUST, SOMETIMES BLIND TO YOUR SHENANIGANS, ALWAYS COLOR BLIND. [BUZZER SOUNDING]

CAN I HAVE 30 MORE SECONDS, PLEASE.

WITHOUT OBJECTION COUNCIL PLEASE CONCLUDE.

THANK YOU. EVERY TIME I GO TO THE POLLS, MY VOTE WILL GO FOR ANYONE AT ANY LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT WHO HAS THE BALLS TO PAINT THAT PLANTATION PARKED AT 1600 PENNSYLVANIA PINK OR BLUE TO SIGNIFY THE INTRA NATIONAL COLOR OF OUR BLOOD OR ANY COLOR WILL DO. LET'S TAKE A VOTE. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MS. KENNEDY. MELISSA JOULWAN. WELCOME.

WE STOPPED BY TODAY WHERE THE TEXAS ROLLER GIRLS, WE STOPPED BY, WE WERE HERE A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO WHEN THE LONE STAR ROLLER GIRLS WERE HERE.

FLAT TRACK AND BLANKED.

I WANTED TO INTRODUCE YOU ALL TO THE TEXAS ROLLER GIRLS, WE SKATE ON THE FLAT TRACK. I HAVE A STATEMENT THAT I'M GOING TO ADMIT BEFORE I READ IT IS PRETTY DENSE BECAUSE THERE'S A LOT OF THINGS WE WANTED YOU GUYS TO KNOW ABOUT US. I'M GOING TO HIT IT, SEE HOW IT GOES. THE TEXAS ROLLER GIRLS HELD OUR FIRST PUBLIC BOUT IN APRIL OF 2003 AS PLAY LAND SKATE CENTER, WE HAVE BEEN THERE EVER SINCE, WE HAVE A SOLDOUT CROWD OF 1100 FANS EVERY MONTH. WHEN WE GOT THERE THE BUILDING WASN'T CITE READY FOR US TO HAVE CROWDS OF THAT SIZE, SO WE WORKED WITH THE

FIRE MARSHAL TO MAKE CHANGES, HE GOT OUR CAPACITY CARD UP TO 1100. WE HAVE FOUR TEAMS IN THE LEAGUE, HAIL MARIES, HONKY TONK HART BREAKERS, HOT ROD HONEYS, THE HUSTLERS. WE HAVE A PRETTY LARGE CREW OF VOLUNTEERS WHO HELP US PUT ON OUR SHOWS EVERY MONTH. OUR LEAGUE HAS BEEN FEATURED IN NATIONAL PUBLICATIONS LIKE THE NEW YORK TIMES, TIME MAGAZINE AND THE WALL STREET JOURNAL. WE HAVE BEEN ON THE C.B.S. EARLY SHOW, GOOD MORNING AMERICA, MOST RECENTLY THE TODAY SHOW. WE WERE THE FIRST FLAT TRACK LEAGUE IN THE UNITED STATES AND JUST TO GIVE YOU A SENSE OF WHAT THE NUMBERS ARE LIKE, WHEN WE STARTED IN 2003 WE WERE THE ONLY ONES. IN 2004 NEW YORK AND ARIZONA BOTH STARTED LEAGUES. AND BY 2005 THERE WERE 40 FLAT TRACK LEAGUES ACROSS THE COUNTRY. IT'S REALLY TAKEN OFF. THE THING THAT WE ARE MOST PROUD OF, BECAUSE OF THE FLAT TRACK PRETTY MUCH ANYBODY CAN DO IT ANYWHERE. WHEN WE STARTED THE TEXAS ROLLER GIRLS WE SET SOME PRETTY HIGH GOALS FOR OURSELVES. FIRST COMPLETELY SKATER OWNED AND OPERATED AND THAT WE WOULD REMAIN A WOMAN OWNED BUSINESS. THE ONLY OUTSIDE FUNDING WE GET IS FROM SPONSORSHIPS, ALL OF OUR LEADERSHIP IN THE LEAGUE IS ELECTED BY THE SKATERS, ALL OF THE FUNCTIONS OF THE BUSINESS ARE DONE BY COMMITTEES AND BY THESE ELECTED MANAGERS WHO ARE VOLUNTEERS, SO TRAINING, MARKETING, PRODUCTION, FINANCE, ALL THAT IS DONE BY THE GIRLS WHO ALSO HAVE DAY JOBS AND THEN GIVE THEIR TIME TO THE TEXAS ROLLER GIRLS. WE ALSO DECIDED FROM THE BEGINNING THAT WE WANTED TO GIVE BACK TO AUSTIN BECAUSE WE REALLY BELIEVED THIS WE WOULDN'T HAVE HELPED SPARKED THIS REVOLUTION ACROSS THE COUNTRY IF AUSTIN HADN'T BEEN SO SUPPORTIVE. THAT MEANS WE WORK WITH LOCAL BUSINESSES AS OUR SPONSORS, AUSTIN BANDS PLAY AT ALL OF OUR BOUTS, WE DONATE TIME AND MONEY TO LOCAL CHARITIES, INCLUDING CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY, AIDS SERVICES OF AUSTIN, BIKERS AGAINST CHILD ABUSE, TEXAS HEARING AND SERVICE DOGS, THE SIMS FOUNDATION AND [INDISCERNIBLE] ARTS AND AUSTIN MUSIC FOUNDATION. WE HAVE ALSO DONE A BENEFIT WITH GEN AUSTIN WITH TRISH MURPHY, AS PART OF KEEP AUSTIN

BEAUTIFUL, THE TEXAS ROLLER GIRLS ADOPTED PART OF CESAR CHAVEZ WHERE WE CLEAN UP SEVERAL TIMES A YEAR. LAST OCTOBER WE PUT ON A KATRINA BENEFIT BOUT DONATED ALL OF THE PROCEEDS TO KATRINA RELATED CHARITIES. THE OWNERS IN PLAY LAND WERE PARTNERS IN OUR ENDEAVOR. THEY HAVE FORMED THIS PARTNERSHIP WITH US SINCE 2003. ON APRIL 8th WE WILL MAKE OUR ANNUAL APPEARANCE AT THE MIGHTY TEXAS DOG WALK, THE PLAY BY PLAY ANNOUNCERS FROM OUR BOUTS ARE GOING TO BE ANNOUNCING THE DOG WALK, TOO. TODAY WE HAVE CONTRIBUTED MORE THAN 980 HOURS TO AREA NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS. THE THIRD THING REALLY IMPORTANT TO US WHEN WE FORMED THE TEXAS ROLLER GIRLS WAS TO GET OTHER WOMEN INVOLVED IN FLAT TRACK DERBY. BY TAKING THE OLD RULES AND CHANGING THEM UP, WE REALLY CREATED A NEW SPORT. IN 2005 ALONG WITH 30 OTHER LEAGUES FROM ACROSS THE COUNTRY, WE FORMED THE WOMEN'S FLAT TRACK DERBY ASSOCIATION, THE NATIONAL GOVERNING BODY FOR OUR SPORT. IN FEBRUARY 2006, THE REALLY EXCITING PART, AN ALL STAR TEAM FROM THE TEXAS ROLLER GIRLS TRAVELED TO TUCSON, ARIZONA FOR THE DUST DEVIL, THE FIRST EVER NATIONAL FLAT TRACK TOURNAMENT AND THE TEXAS ROLLER GIRLS TEAM WON ALL SEVEN OF THEIR GAMES, BROUGHT THAT FLAT TRACK TROPHY BACK TO AUSTIN. SO -- YEA. [ APPLAUSE ] THE THING THAT IS REALLY -- THAT I'M REALLY PROUD ABOUT THAT IS WE ARE VERY ATHLETIC AND WE ARE SPREADING THE SAUCE VIBE ACROSS THE -- THE AUSTIN VIBE ACROSS THE COUNTRY. ALL OF THE LEAGUES ARE BASED ON US, THEY GIVE MONEY AND TIME TO CHARITY. WOMEN OWNED BUSINESSES, ALL VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATIONS, THAT'S ALL BASED WHAT WE STARTED HERE IN AUSTIN. DURING SOUTH-BY-SOUTHWEST WE HAD A - - WE HELD A FLAT TRACK BOUT. NOT ONLY IS FLAT TRACK DESH WOULD HE HUGE IN AUSTIN, TWO LESION IN DALLAS, ONE IN HOUSTON, ONE IN SAN ANTONIO, ONE IN TYLER, TEXAS. WE BROUGHT THEM ALTOGETHER IN THE AUSTIN MUSIC HALL. IN APRIL, A TEXAS ROLLER GIRLS TRAVEL TEAM WILL GO TO LAS VEGAS TO PLAY AGAINST THE SIN CITY ROLLER GIRLS AND THROUGHOUT OUR HOME SEASON WE ARE INVITING LEAGUES FROM OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTRY, SEATTLE, WISCONSIN, NORTH CAROLINA TO

COME PLAY WITH US. WE WOULD LIKE ALL OF YOU TO COME OUT SOMETIME THIS SEASON, NEXT IS SUNDAY APRIL 2nd AT PLAY LAND. DOORS OPEN AT 6:30, USUALLY WRAPPED UP BY ABOUT 10:00, IT'S PG 13, IF YOU HAVE KIDS IT'S OKAY TO BRING THEM ALONG, TOO, WE HOPE TO SEE YOU TRACK SIDE. REMEMBER TEXAS ROLLER GIRLS IS THE FLAT TRACK LEAGUE. YOU CAN ALWAYS FIND US AT PLAY LAND SKATE CENTER. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

THANK YOU.

CHRIS JOHNSON? THAT CONCLUDES OUR -- YES? OH, I APOLOGIZE. YOU ARE RIGHT SUZANNA, PLEASE STEP FORWARD. SUSANA ALMANZA, WELCOME, THREE MINUTES.

GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS, I'M SUSANA ALMANZA WITH PODER, PEOPLE ORGANIZED IN DEFENSE OF EARTH AND HER RESOURCES. I BROUGHT -- I WOULD LIKE TO INVITE THE PUBLIC TO THE CANDIDATES FORUM THAT WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY, MARCH THE 30th, AT THE CONLEY-GUERRERO SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER. SPONSORED BY PODER, LUKE LATERAL AND NAACP. ALSO A RUN FOR IMMIGRANT RIGHTS TAKING PLACE, A JOURNEY FOR PEACE, RESPECT, JUSTICE AND DIGNITY AND HARMONY FOR ALL PEOPLE DURING A TIME WHEN MIGRATORY WORKERS AND COMMUNITIES ARE BEING ATTACKED BY VIGILANTE GROUPS AS WELL AS STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATION THAT PROMOTES AND CRIMINALIZED INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES THAT ARE CONTRIBUTING TO THE ECONOMY OF THIS COUNTRY AND THAT WILL BE HELD THIS THURSDAY AT 9:00 AT THE LONGHORN DAM. THE NEXT ONE IS -- IS THE FIFTH ANNUAL CESAR CHAVEZ MARCH FOR UNITY AND JUSTICE WILL BE ASSEMBLING RIGHT OUTSIDE OF CITY HALL AT 11:30 A.M. AND MARCHING DOWN CESAR CHAVEZ TO THE AB CANTU PAN-AMERICAN RECREATION CENTER. ARRIVING THERE ABOUT 1:00. THERE WILL BE SPEAKERS, MUSIC, DANCE AND POETRY. AS YOU ALL KNOW, CESAR CHAVEZ'S BIRTHDAY IS MARCH THE 31st, HE WAS BORN IN 1927 AND DIED APRIL THE 23rd, 1993. HE STRUGGLED FOR THE I AM -- STRUGGLED FOR THE IMPROVEMENTS OF LABOR, HOUSING, HEALTH, EDUCATION OF MIGRANT FARM WORKERS IN THE UNITED STATES. THEN I WANT TO SHIFT TO THE WHOLE ISSUE OF THE McMANSIONS

BECAUSE THE McMANSIONS NOT ONLY EXIST WEST OF I-35, BUT AS YOU CAN SEE HERE, ALSO IN EAST AUSTIN. YOU CAN SEE THE LITTLE HOUSE RIGHT NEXT TO -- TO THIS BIG McMANSION ON RIVER VIEW STREET. ALSO TO -- HERE'S A HOUSE THAT -- AT 2105 RIVER VIEW, BUT THIS IS THE BACK PART OF IT BECAUSE IT BEGINS AT A VERY SMALL LEVEL RIGHT HERE, THEN EXTENDS BACK TO HIT RIGHT THERE IN FRONT OF THE FIESTA GARDENS EAST. AND THIS WAS A 6,000 SQUARE FOOT HOUSE AT ONE TIME. IT'S RIGHT NEXT TO THIS PARTICULAR LITTLE HOUSE THERE THAT YOU CAN SEE HERE. AND THEN HERE'S ANOTHER McMANSION THAT'S RIGHT HERE AT 2014 BERKMAN. IT TOOK UP TWO LOTS. AND YOU CAN SEE THE LITTLE HOUSE RIGHT THERE NEXT TO IT. WHAT THE SCALE IS LIKE IN THE COMMUNITY. SO WE DO HAVE A BIG CONCERN OF WHAT'S HAPPENING INTO OUR COMMUNITIES ON THE SMALL LOTS AND THEY ARE NOT BECAUSE -- NOT BECAUSE THERE ARE A LOT OF FAMILY MEMBERS THAT ARE -- LEAVING, IT'S USUALLY ONE OR TWO INDIVIDUALS LIVING IN THESE HUGE HOMES. THEN WE ARE ALSO CONCERNED ABOUT THE McLOFTS. BECAUSE THE McLOFTS ARE REALLY GROWING A WHOLE LOT IN OUR COMMUNITY AND THE McLOFTS ARE EVEN HIGHER PRICED INDIVIDUALLY THAN SOME OF THE McMANSIONS. [BUZZER SOUNDING] THERE IS A -- PEDERNALES LOTS OF THAT WE ARE ALSO CONCERNED ABOUT. SO -- ALSO TO THAT LAST ONE WAS THE WATER STREET LOFTS THAT ARE COMING TO OUR COMMUNITY, SO THAT WE ASK FOR YOU NOT JUST TO LOOK AT THE WHOLE ISSUE OF THE McMANSIONS, BUT ALSO TO LOOK AT THE WHOLE ISSUE OF THE McLOFTS AND ALSO THE McCONDOS THAT ARE IN OUR COMMUNITY AND WHAT IS HAPPENING TO THE DISPLACEMENT OF LONG-TERM RESIDENTS. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MS. ALMANZA. SO COUNCIL THAT CONCLUDES OUR GENERAL CITIZENS COMMUNICATION THIS AFTERNOON. WITHOUT FURTHER DISCUSSION ITEMS POSTED UNTIL OUR AFTERNOON BRIEFINGS, THAT WE WILL TRY TO START AS SOON AS PRACTICAL, WE WILL NOW GO BACK INTO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO SECTION 551.074 TO CONCLUDE OUR CONVERSATION REGARDING ITEM NO. 45, THE EVALUATION AND COMPENSATION BENEFITS FOR THE THE CITY AUDITOR AS WELL AS

POTENTIALLY LEGAL ITEM UNDER PURSUANT TO SECTION 551.071 ITEM NO. 49 RELATED TO SAVE OUR SPRINGS INC. VERSUS CITY OF AUSTIN. WE ARE NOW IN CLOSED SESSION, I ANTICIPATE US COMING BACK -- IN APPROXIMATELY ONE HOUR TIME. THANK YOU. IS THAT WE ARE OUT OF CLOSED SESSION, WE FINISHED OUR DISCUSSION OF ITEM 45 RELATED TO THE EVALUATION AND COMP SIX BENEFITS OF THE AUDITOR, WE FINISHED THAT OF THE CITY CLERK LATER TODAY. WE WILL TAKE UP THE ACTION ITEMS HERE IN A HOUR OR SO. TAKES US BELATELIED TO OUR AFTERNOON BRIEFINGS. WE WILL TALK THEM IN A SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT ORDER. STARTING WITH ITEM NO. 52, A PRESENTATION OF THE CONCEPTUAL BUILDING DESIGN FOR BLOCK 21, WELCOME MS. LAURA HUFFMAN.

THANK YOU, MAYOR, MAYOR AND COUNCIL WE ARE HERE TODAY TO PRESENT TO YOU THE CONCEPTUAL LINE FOR BLOCK 21, FOR THOSE PEOPLE WHO DO NOT KNOW, IT IS THE EMPTY LOT HYPED CITY HALL TO THE NORTH. IT IS THE LOT THAT THE STINGER POINTS TO. TODAY REPRESENTS THE CULMINATION OF THE COUNCIL'S VISION FOR MANY YEARS, BOTH FOR THE REDEVELOPMENT OF THE DOWNTOWN, BUT ALSO FOR THE SECOND STREET RETAIL DISTRICT. WE ARE VERY EXCITED TO PRESENT TO YOU THE CONCEPTUAL DESIGN FOR THIS DEVELOPMENT. IN MARCH OF 2004 WE ISSUED AN R.F.P. FOR THE SALE OF THIS LAND. THE CITY NOW OWNS BLOCK 21 AND THE TRANSACTION THAT WE ARE ENTERING INTO IS THE SALE OF THIS LAND. THE COUNCIL HAD A MUCH BROADER VISION FOR THE SALE OF BLOCK 21, WE WANT TO TALK ABOUT THAT. FIRST AND FOREMOST THE CITY COUNCIL WAS LOOKING FOR A GOOD BUSINESS DEAL. AT \$15 MILLION THE STRATUS PROPOSAL WAS BY FAR THE HIGHEST PROPOSAL FOR BLOCK 21, WE HAVE SET ASIDE 4.95 MILLION OF THAT 15 MILLION-DOLLAR TO HELP CREATE A PERMANENT HOME FOR THE AUSTIN CHILDREN'S MUSEUM. SO FIRST AND FOREMOST THIS IS A GOOD BUSINESS DEAL FOR YOU. SECONDLY YOU ARE LOOKING FOR A PROJECT THAT ENERGIZES YOUR SECOND STREET RETAIL DISTRICT. AS MANY PEOPLE HAVE SEEN, WE ARE ALREADY SEEING RETAILERS IN THE SECOND STREET RETAIL DISTRICT AND BLOCK 21 PLAYS AN IMPORTANT ROLE FOR HOW THAT BLOCK FUNCTIONS. WHAT YOU WILL SEE

WITH THE BUILDING DESIGN IS THAT THROUGHOUT THE BUILDING WE HAVE OVER 42,000 SQUARE FEET OF RETAIL. BLOKZ. YOU WILL ALSO SEE THAT WE HAVE A MAJOR DRAW WITH THE HOME FOR THE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM. THIS IS SOMETHING THAT WE THINK WILL ADD A LOT OF VIBRANCY, A LOT OF DRAW FOR AUSTINITES INTO THE BUILDING DOWNTOWN. YOU HAVE ASKED FOR AND WILL SEE A VERY NICE PLAZA, WE HAVE LINED IT WITH RETAIL USES TO ENSURE THERE ARE PEOPLE ON THE PLAZA AND THAT IT IS ACTIVELY USED. YOU WILL ALSO SEE THAT THE ARCHITECT CREATED A RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THAT OUTDOOR PLAZA AND THE PLAZA, THE SMALL RESTAURANT SEATING ACROSS THE STREET, THAT YOU WILL ALSO SEE HERE AT CITY HALL. WE ARE ALSO VERY EXCITED THAT THE DEVELOPER IS PROPOSING A W HOTEL IN THIS BUILDING, ANOTHER SIGNIFICANT DRAW FOR VISITORS AND TEMPORARY RESIDENTS TO THE HEART OF OUR DOWNTOWN. THE LAST THING THAT YOU ARE LOOKING FOR IN THIS PROJECT WAS THAT IT CONTRIBUTE TO YOUR BROADER VISIONS FOR A VIBRANT, VITAL DOWNTOWN. WHAT YOU ARE GOING TO SEE WHEN ARTHUR ANDERSON THE ARCHITECT FOR THIS BUILDING PRESENTS THE PROPOSAL IS A TREMENDOUS MIX OF USES. IN THIS BUILDING YOU WILL SEE RESIDENTIAL, YOU WILL SEE A HOTEL, YOU WILL SEE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM, YOU WILL SEE RETAIL, YOU WILL SEE A PLAZA AND YOU WILL SEE A LIVE MUSIC VESTIBULAR YEW IN THE -- VENUE IN THE FORM OF THE KLRU STUDIOS, ALL TOLD WE THINK THIS BUILDING REPRESENTS NOT ONLY YOUR GOALS FOR A REALLY VIBRANT SECOND STREET RETAIL DISTRICT, BUT THAT IT IS ALSO CONTAINS THE VALUES THAT YOU HAVE BEEN LOOKING FOR AND THE REDEVELOPMENT OF OUR DOWNTOWN. THE STRATUS TEAM IS HERE TODAY. LED BY THEIR ARCHITECT ARTHUR ANDERSON, YOU CAN SEE THAT HE'S BROUGHT SOME STORY BOARDS, ALSO A MOCKUP OF THE BUILDING ITSELF AND HE IS NOW GOING TO PRESENT TO YOU THE BUILDING ON BLOCK 21.

WELCOME, MR. ANDERSON.

THANK YOU, MAYOR, MAYOR PRO TEM, MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL. TO MY -- TO MY FIRST IMAGE, IF I CAN. WE ARE HONORED TO BE HERE TODAY, WE HAVE BEEN WORKING THE PAST SEVERAL MONTHS ON DEVISING THE PROGRAM,

DEVISING A DESIGN FOR THE SITE DIRECTLY TO THE NORTH OF CITY HALL, WHICH IS BLOCK 21. THE IMAGE THAT YOU SEE IN FRONT OF YOU SHOWS THAT -- THAT THERE'S ALREADY -- HAS ALREADY BEEN TREMENDOUS EFFORT TO PUT INTO THIS AREA. WE HAVE THE NEW CITY HALL BUILDING, THE CSC BUILDINGS AND THESE BUILDINGS ARE SITED BEAUTIFULLY ON THE BLUFF THAT RISES FROM THE -- FROM THE RIVER AND BLOCK 21 IS THE SITE DIRECTLY BEHIND THOSE. SO ONE THING THAT HAS ALWAYS BEEN FOREMOST IN OUR MIND AS WE HAVE GONE THROUGH THE DESIGN OF THIS PROJECT IS TO CREATE A SUITABLE NEIGHBOR AND MAYBE MORE SPECIFICALLY A SUITABLE BACK DROP TO THE VERY ELEGANT BUILDING THAT WE ARE MEETING IN TODAY. LAURA MENTIONED ALL OF THE -- OF THE -- SOME OF THE PIECES AND PARTS THAT HAVE GONE INTO THE DESIGN. I WOULD LIKE TO MENTION THEM AS WELL. LET'S SEE. IS THIS WORKING? THERE WE GO. THE SITE OF BLOCK 21 SITS ON THE NORTHERN EDGE OF WHAT IS CALLED THE SECOND STREET RETAIL DISTRICT. IT DOESN'T FULLY DEFINE THE DISTRICT, BUT IT ALMOST FINDS ITSELF IN THE HEART OF IT. IT'S THE RED -- THE RED BLOCK THAT'S IN THE MIDDLE OF THAT DRAWING. IT'S ALSO ADJACENT, NEXT TO THE FUTURE AUSTIN MUSEUM OF ART AND ADJACENT TO THE CORRIDOR OR BUILDINGS THAT LINE THE STATE CAPITOL, VERY CENTRALLY LOCATED AND STRATEGICALLY POSITIONED WITHIN THE CITY, IT'S ALSO NEXT TO THE WAREHOUSE DISTRICT GROWN OVER THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS, A VERY VIBRANT AREA WITHIN DOWNTOWN. THE USE THAT'S WE HAVE PROPOSED FOR BLOCK 21 INCLUDE AS LAURA HAS SAID, OOPS, KEEP GOING THERE. DELAY ON THIS. THAT'S GOING BACKWARDS. SHOULD IT BE -- THERE WE GO. THE USES THAT WE PROPOSED INCLUDE RETAIL A NEW HOME FOR STUDIO A, THE STUDIO WHERE AUSTIN CITY LIMITS IS TAPED EACH TIME. ALSO THE USES INCLUDE THE HOME FOR THE NEW AUSTIN CHILDREN'S MUSEUM, AS WELL AS A W HOTEL, CONDOMINIUMS ASSOCIATED WITH THAT PROJECT, AND OFFICE SPACE. AM I GOING BACKWARD SOME I'M SORRY, NOW IT'S GOING --

Mayor Wynn: WHAT DO THEY TEACH YOU IN ARCHITECTURE SCHOOL, ARTHUR? IS IT THE ARROW ON THE RIGHT? IT'S

NOT DOING ANYTHING. ARE YOU DOING THAT? THIS IS THE SOUTH ELEVATION OF THE PROJECT AT THE STREET LEVEL. THE PORTION IN THE MIDDLE OF THE -- OF THE BLOCK IS -- IS DIRECTLY OPPOSITE THE -- WHAT'S AFFECTSNALLY -- AFFECTIONATELY CALLED THE STINGER ON CITY HALL. WE HAVE ELECTED TO MAKE A MASONRY PORTION OF THE BUILDING THERE TO HELP KIND OF CATCH THE ENERGY COMING OFF THE STINGER, BUT ITS BASE IS A RESTAURANT THAT'S ASSOCIATED WITH THE HOTEL. TO THE LEFT OF THAT IS A RETAIL SPACE AND TO THE RIGHT OF THAT IS A PUBLIC PLAZA AND BEYOND THAT IS THE ENTRANCE TO THE KLRU STUDIO SPACE. DIRECTLY ABOVE THAT SPACE ARE -- IS SOME OFFICE SPACE AND ABOVE THAT IS A -- IS A GIGATRON, JUMBOTRON, I'M -- IT'S FROM ENGLAND SO IT GOES BACKWARDS. LET'S SEE. THAT'S GOING BACKWARDS.

Mayor Wynn: WHY DON'T YOU JUST SAY NEXT.

I COULD DO THAT, I'M SORRY.

OKAY. LET'S JUST GO NEXT. NEXT. NEXT. OKAY. GOOD. STOP. AND AS YOU -- [LAUGHTER] AS YOU -- I'M SORRY. AS WE THEN MOVE TO -- TO THE LAVACA STREET, WHICH IS THE EAST ELEVATION OF THE BUILDING, AGAIN ON THE STREET SCAPE WE'VE INTENDED A NUMBER OF USES TO HELP ACTIVATE THAT SPACE ON THE LEFT-HAND SIDE, NEXT. ON THE LEFT-HAND SIDE OF THE PROJECT, FURTHEST LEFT, YOU SEE A CAR IN THAT -- IN THAT DRAWING, THE PUBLIC PLAZA IS JUST TO THE NORTH OF THAT. AND NEXT TO THAT IS THE ENTRANCE TO -- TO AUSTIN CITY LIMITS, KLRU, VENUE AND TO THE RIGHT OF THAT IS THE ENTRANCE TO THE HOTEL WHICH WILL ACCOMMODATE AUTOMOBILE DROPOFF AND TO THE RIGHT OF THAT IS AN OFFICE SPACE LOBBY AND RETAIL. NEXT. SO IF WE MOVE AROUND TO THE NORTH END OF THE BUILDING, NORTH SIDE OF THE BUILDING, THIS IS THE ELEVATION THAT -- THERE YOU GO. FRONTS THIRD STREET. NEXT. THE USES ALONG THIS STREET INCLUDE THE -- THE SERVICE TO THE BUILDING, BUT ALSO INCLUDES MOSTLY A BLOCK OF RETAIL WITH, ON THE FAR RIGHT-HAND SIDE, WHERE YOU SEE THE GATHERING OF PEOPLE, THE CORNER SPACE WHICH IS THE ENTRANCE TO THE AUSTIN CHILDREN'S MUSEUM. THE KIND OF -- THE PIECE OF -- OF BUILDING THAT IS ABOVE THE STREET INCORPORATES THE

AUSTIN CHILDREN'S MUSEUM, THE FULL LENGTH OF THIS BLOCK. NEXT. AND THEN ON THE WEST SIDE, KEEP GOING ONE MORE. THANK YOU. THE AUSTIN CHILDREN'S MUSEUM COMPRISES MOST OF THESE STREET ALONG GUADALUPE WITH VEHICULAR ACCESS TO THE PARKING FOR THE PROJECT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE STREET. AND ON THE RIGHT OF THAT IS RETAIL. THE BIG VOLUME THAT YOU SEE ABOVE THAT RETAIL IS ACTUALLY THE SPACE IN WHICH STUDIO A WILL -- WILL BE PERFORMING. NEXT. AND SO THE WAY THAT KIND OF WORKS ITSELF OUT IN SECTION, WE HAVE A BUILDING THAT BECOMES ABOUT 50 FEET HIGH ON THE SOUTH AND WEST PORTION OF THE BLOCK, AND OFFICE COMPONENT WRAPS THE REAR, NORTH PORTION OF THE BLOCK AND THE EAST PORTION. THE 50-FOOT HIGH SECTION OF THE -- OF THE PROJECT IS INTENDED TO BE VERY SPECIFICALLY IN SCALE AND SOMEWHAT IN CHARACTER, CONNECTED TO -- TO THE VOLUME OF -- THE VOLUMES OF CITY HALL. AND THE OFFICE COMPONENT TO THE NORTH AND EAST CONNECTS VERY SPECIFICALLY WITH THE HEIGHT OF THE AMLI APARTMENT BUILDING AS WELL AS THE -- THE CSC BUILDINGS. AND -- AND ABOVE THAT, THE -- THE HOTEL - - THE HOTEL COMPRISES 11 FLOORS OF HOTEL ROOMS, THEN ON TOP OF THAT, THERE ARE 14 FLOORS OF CONDOMINIUMS. THE SOUTHERN EXPOSURE OF THOSE CONDOMINIUMS AND THE HOTEL ARE SUCH THAT WE HAVE BALCONIES THAT TAKE ADVANTAGE OF -- OF THE SUNLIGHT IN THAT THEY BLOCK IT OUT, IN THE SUMMERTIME, AND ALLOW IT IN IN THE WINTERTIME. AND THE SPACE THAT'S ON TOP OF THE VENUE AS WELL AS ON TOP OF THE USES SURROUNDING THE VENUE WILL BE MOSTLY A GREEN ROOF. SO I WOULD LIKE TO -- TO INTRODUCE GALE VITORI AT THIS POINT WHO IS WITH THE CENTER FOR MAXIMUM POTENTIAL BUILDING SYSTEMS TO TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT OUR -- OUR GREENING OF THE PROJECT.

I'M NOT GOING TO HAVE TO PUSH ANY BUTTONS. THANK YOU, ARTHUR. GOOD AFTERNOON MAYOR, MAYOR PRO TEM, CITY MANAGER, COUNCILMEMBERS. WE HAVE BEEN PART OF THE CONCEPTUAL DEVELOPMENT OF THIS PROJECT. UNDERSTANDING THAT INCORPORATING GREEN FEATURES IS REALLY AN IMPERATIVE, NOT ONLY FOR THIS PROJECT BUT FOR ANY BUILDING IN THIS CENTURY GIVEN THE

MAGNITUDE OF RECOGNIZE OF ECOLOGICAL AND HEALTH CONCERNS RELATED TO THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT. WE ARE COMMITTED TO DELIVER A LEAD CERTIFIED BUILDING. IT'S LOOKING VERY PROMISING IN TERMS OF WHAT THAT CERTIFICATION LEVEL WILL BE AND WE WILL BE ABLE TO PROVIDE YOU WITH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AS WE GET FURTHER INTO THE DESIGN PROCESS. SOME OF THE KEY ELEMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN INTEGRATED INTO THE PROJECT TO DATE, AS ARTHUR JUST MENTIONED, THE GREEN ROOFS, IN FACT THE VEGETATION IN GENERAL THAT'S VERY PROMINENT WITH THIS PROJECT WILL CREATE NOT ONLY A VERY LUSH PLACE FOR PEOPLE TO GO VERY CONDUCIVE TO GATHERING OF PEOPLE, BUT IT WILL ALSO BE SIGNIFICANT IN TERMS OF CURBING URBAN HEAT ISLAND EFFECT AND ALSO MITIGATING STORM WATER. BOTH OF THOSE ARE IMPORTANT ISSUES IN TERMS OF ANY DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT PROJECT IN AUSTIN. IN ADDITION, THE GREEN EXCESSIVE AMOUNT OF GREEN GROWING MATERIALS ON THE PROJECT WILL ALSO HELP TO BE A BUFFER RELATIVE TO AIR QUALITY AND EMISSIONS IN A VERY URBAN ENVIRONMENT WITH A LOT OF VEHICLES. SO WE LOOK AT THIS BEING A POSITIVE ASSET TO THE DOWNTOWN ENVIRONMENT IN THAT WAY. IN ADDITION, WE ARE PAYING CLOSE ATTENTION TO THE KINDS OF MATERIALS THAT ARE GOING TO BE USED FOR THE BUILDING ITSELF. MAKING SURE THAT THE INDOOR ENVIRONMENT IS HEALTHY. WITH CHILDREN'S MUSEUM, THE HOTEL, THE OFFICE SPACE AND SO ON, IT'S VERY CLEAR CORRELATION BETWEEN CREATING INDOOR AND HEALTHY ENVIRONMENTS AND HEALTH OF THE OCCUPANTS AS WELL AS PRODUCTIVITY FOR PEOPLE WORKING THERE. IN ADDITION WE ARE IDENTIFYING GREENHOUSE KEEPING AND MAINTENANCE PROTOCOLS AS STANDARD PRACTICE FOR THE PROJECT. AND WE WILL BE EMPLOYING A SERIES OF STATE-OF-THE-ART ENERGY AND WATER EFFICIENT TECHNOLOGIES THAT WILL ALSO MAKE THIS PROJECT VERY MUCH AN EXAMPLE OF GOOD, ECOLOGICAL STEWARDSHIP. FINALLY, WE REALIZE THE OPPORTUNITIES IN TERMS OF MANAGING WASTE, BOTH ON THE CONSTRUCTION END AND DURING OPERATIONS OF THE BUILDING AND WE WILL DEVELOP AGAIN PROTOCOLS TO MAXIMIZE THE DIVERSION

OF ANY WASTE GENERATED IN THE PROJECT.

THANK YOU, NEXT.

SO ALL OF THAT ADDS UP TO A PROJECT THAT LOOKS LIKE THIS. IF YOU WERE STANDING ON SECOND STREET, KIND OF LOOKING EAST TOWARD DOWNTOWN. THE BASE OF THE BUILDING, WHICH IS THE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM, THE STUDIO A VENUE SPACE, HOTEL LOBBY, ARE ALL IN THE -- IN THE LOWER PORTION OF THE PROJECT, WHICH ARE ON GUADALUPE AND 2nd AS YOU SEE THEM THERE. ON TOP OF THAT IS THE SWIMMING POOL AND BIG OPEN SPACE, WHICH WE HOPE TO HAVE AS GALE POINTED OUT BE A VERY GREEN SPACE, KIND OF AN OASIS IN THE MIDDLE OF THE CITY UP AT THAT LEVEL OF ABOUT 55 FEET. AND RISING ABOVE THAT, WE HAVE A COUPLE LEVELS OF OFFICE SPACE AND THEN HOTEL AND CONDOMINIUM. AND THE WAY AS I POINTED OUT BEFORE, THE SOUTH ELEVATION OF THIS PROJECT HAS BEEN CONCEIVED, THERE ARE SOME OF THE HOTEL ROOMS, WHICH WILL BE THE SUITES THAT PROJECT OUT FROM THE BUILDING, WHICH IN THE SUMMER MONTHS WHEN THE SUN IS VERY HIGH, ALLOW THE ROOMS BELOW THEM TO BE SHIELDED FROM THE DIRECT SUNLIGHT. WHEREAS IN THE WINTER WHEN THE SUN IS IN THE SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE COMING IN, THOSE ROOMS WILL GET DIRECT SUNLIGHT. ON A SMALLER SCALE, BUT EQUALLY AS IMPORTANT WITHIN THE CONDOMINIUMS, THEY HAVE SUBSTANTIAL BALCONIES FACING SOUTH TO -- TO HELP CONTROL THE AMOUNT OF DIRECTION SUNLIGHT IN THE SUMMERTIME COMING INTO THOSE ROOMS. IT'S A BUILDING THAT HAS BEEN CONCEIVED FOR OUR CLIMATE. AND WE THINK CONCEIVED SPECIFICALLY FOR THE CITY OF AUSTIN IN TERMS OF ITS USES AND THE VOLUME METRIC CONNECTIONS WITH ITS NEIGHBORS. NEXT, PERHAPS MOST IMPORTANTLY WE THINK THAT THIS IS AN APPROPRIATE AND DIAPHANOUS KIND OF BACK DROP TO A VERY STRONG CITY HALL. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND I HAVE OTHER DRAWINGS HERE IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS.

THANK YOU, MR. ANDERSON. QUESTIONS OF THE ARCHITECT, COUNCIL? COUNCILMEMBER KIM?

MR. ANDERSON, I WANTED TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK

ON THIS PROJECT. I THINK THAT IT'S TRULY EXCITING WITH ALL OF THE DIFFERENT USES. I THINK THAT IT'S GOING TO BE A VERY VIBRANT PROJECT THAT COMPLIMENTS ALL OF THE INVESTMENTS THAT WE HAVE MADE WITH THE CITY HALL TO THE RETAIL DISTRICT, BRINGING IN THE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM, AS WELL AS THE AUSTIN CITY LIMITS IN THE HOTEL. I THINK THAT IT'S GOING TO BE A WONDERFUL CONCEPT FOR EVERYONE TO ENJOY. I ESPECIALLY LIKE YOU ARE INCORPORATING THE GREEN BUILDING, THE GREENING OF THE PROJECT, THAT REALLY REFLECT THE VALUES OF OUR COMMUNITY. APPRECIATION, COMPLIMENTING OUR NATURAL ENVIRONMENT HERE. I THINK THAT IT'S GOING TO BE A VERY EXCITED PROJECT FOR US TO WATCH AS ITS DEVELOPED.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH, THAT WAS AN EASY QUESTION.

Mayor Wynn: FURTHER QUESTIONS, COMMENTS? I WILL JUST SAY CONGRATULATIONS TO THE TEAM. MONTHS AGO ONE OF MY ORIGINAL CHALLENGES WAS NUMBER ONE TO MAXIMIZE THE NUMBER OF USES ON THIS PROPERTY THAT WE THE TAXPAYERS WERE THE SELLERS OF. SEEMS TO ME YOU ALL HAVE DONE THAT IN FINE ORDER WITH RETAIL, WITH CIVIC USES, BOTH THE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM AND AUSTIN CITY LIMITS THEATER, HOTELS, RESIDENTIAL, WITH OFFICE. I MEAN IT'S -- IT'S AS MIXED USE OF A BLOCK AS THERE IS AND WILL BE IN -- A BLOCK AS THERE IS AND WILL BE IN DOWNTOWN AUSTIN. THE SECOND WAS TO MAXIMIZE THE SQUARE FOOTAGE. VERY DEVELOPABLE BLOCK, WE KNEW THAT AS THE SELLER, WE WANTED TO ESPECIALLY DEMAND THAT FROM THE BUYER FRANKLY THE CAPITAL GAINS THAT WE WOULD GET FROM THAT SALE. BUT ALSO THEN ONGOING REVENUE STREAM THAT A PROJECT LIKE THIS WOULD GENERATE. PROPERTY TAXES, SALES TAX, HOTEL, BED TAX, THIS WILL BE A VERY -- VERY PROFITABLE LONG-TERM REVENUE STREAM FOR -- FOR US AS TAXPAYERS AS WELL. THIRDLY TO DO BOTH OF THOSE TWO THINGS IN THE CONTEXT OF THE -- OF THE ADJACENT BUILDINGS, THAT IS BEING FORMED HERE ON SECOND STREET. I THINK YOU HAVE DONE A SPECTACULAR JOB OF DELIVERING ON THESE THREE CHALLENGES. WE LOOK FORWARD TO -- TO DO A SUCCESSFUL PROJECT, THAT WILL BE FUN TO WATCH IT GROW UP, MY CONGRATULATIONS TO

EVERYBODY INVOLVED.

APPRECIATE THAT VERY MUCH. THE FIRST IS FROM AN ARCHITECTURAL OR PLANNING STANDPOINT, THE FIRST TOWN SQUARE IN DOWNTOWN ANYWHERE IN THE CITY. THAT WILL BE A GREAT INNOVATION, WE DON'T HAVE ANY PUBLIC GATHERING PLACES, EXCEPT FROM AN URBAN PLANNING STANDPOINT THIS IS GOING TO BE THE FIRST, VERY EXCITED, SOME OF THE FOLKS FROM THE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM ARE HERE, THIS -- THIS TO MY KNOWLEDGE WILL BE THE FIRST EXAMPLE OF A COMMUNITY LAND TRUST IMPLEMENTED IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN. WE ARE DOING IT THROUGH THE TAKING SOME OF THE MONEY THAT STRATUS IS PAYING, PLOWING IT BACK INTO BUY DOWN THE COST OF A NON-PROFIT SPACE FOR THE PERMANENT AFFORDABILITY COVENANT IN IT. THINGS PARTICULARLY EXCITING BECAUSE IN THIS CONTEXT WE HAVE DONE IT FOR THE NON-PROFIT SPACE SO THAT IT WILL BE PERMANENT AFFORDABILITY OPPORTUNITIES FOR THAT NON-PROFIT SPACE, BUT WE CAN TAKE THAT MODEL AND DO IT IN THE REST OF OUR DOWNTOWN AS WE SELL OFF GOVERNMENT OWNED LAND, BUILDING SOME PERMANENT AFFORDABILITY, HOUSING IN ALL PRICE RANGES. WHAT WE HAVE SEEN IS THAT WE CAN CREATE A CUTTING EDGE PROFITABLE PROJECT AND AT THE SAME TIME BUILD IN A PERMANENT AFFORDABILITY AS AN ELEMENT OF IT. SO IT'S A GOOD MODEL THAT WE CAN USE FOR HOUSING GOING FORWARD. SO CONGRATULATIONS GREAT JOB EVERYBODY.

FURTHER COMMENTS, QUESTIONS? COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ?

THANK YOU. I WANT TO THANK THEM FOR THE HARD WORK, ALL OF THE PROCESS INVOLVED THERE, FOLKS PLACING INPUT INTO THE PROCESS AND BECAUSE AS YOU KNOW IT'S NOT JUST BETWEEN THE CITY AND STRATUS. WE HAVE OWE ON WE HAVE CHILDREN'S MUSEUMS HAVE BEEN INVOLVED. TO A CERTAIN DEGREE KLRU, ACL. AND THAT'S -- THAT'S OBVIOUSLY A VERY EXCITING COMBINATION. YOU KNOW, I LIKE WHAT YOU HAVE DONE WITH THE DESIGN AND THE STREET SCAPES. PEDESTRIAN LEVEL. IT COMPLIMENTS WHAT WE HAVE TRIED TO DO WITH CITY HALL. A COMBINATION OF SERVICES IS REALLY EXCITING, A LOT OF EXCITEMENT TO

THE SECOND STREET RETAIL DISTRICT. I WANT TO COM  
MEBD YOU ON COMING UP WITH SOMETHING THAT -- THAT  
AGAIN WE ARE ALL GOING TO BE PROUD OF, WHAT WE  
ACTUALLY SEE IT ON THE GROUND, BUT CONGRATULATIONS.

THANK YOU.

I TOO THINK IT'S GOING TO BE A GREAT ADDITION TO  
DOWNTOWN SKYLINE AND TO THE SECOND STREET  
DISTRICT AND I JUST WANT TO SAY IN THE VERY SHORT TIME  
THAT I'VE BEEN INVOLVED IN THIS PROJECT, JUST A FEW  
MONTHS, IT HAS HAD A LONG LIFE, I KNOW. I WANT TO SAY I  
WOULD APPRECIATE -- I APPRECIATE THE DEMONSTRATED  
WILLINGNESS ON THE PART OF ALL PARTIES TO  
ACCOMMODATE THE NEEDS AND WISHES OF EVERYBODY  
ELSE INVOLVED. THERE WERE SOME PROBLEMS AS FAR AS  
ALLOCATION OF SPACE AND SO FORTH. BUT EVERYONE WAS  
ABLE TO COME TOGETHER AND COME TO AN AGREEMENT  
THAT EVERYBODY WAS AT LEAST SATISFIED WITH AND I  
CONGRATULATE YOU FOR THAT.

THANK YOU.

COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLY.

GOOD JOB FROM ALL OF YOU, THANKS FOR THE HARD  
WORK.

MAYOR PRO TEM.

Thomas: I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU FOR THE PROJECT,  
I REMEMBER WHEN WE WERE TALKING ABOUT WHEN THERE  
WERE THREE PEOPLE INVOLVED IN TRYING TO GET BLOCK  
21, IT WAS VERY OBVIOUS THAT SHE WAS SENSITIVE TO THE  
NEEDS OF THE DOWNTOWN AREA, BUT WHAT I'M REALLY  
IMPRESSED IS THAT AUSTIN CHILDREN MUSEUM INCLUDED  
IN THIS, LET'S US KNOW THAT YOU HAVE A FUTURE  
GENERATION AND THAT'S A GREAT PROJECT AND WE -- WE  
ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO THE GROUND BREAKING AND  
THEN THE RIBBON CUTTING.

THANK YOU.

I HAVE A QUESTION FOR MS. HUFFMAN. AND YOU MAY HAVE MENTIONED THIS EARLIER, I DIDN'T CATCH IT. WHAT'S NEXT? WHAT'S THE TIMING OF -- OF OUR RELATIONSHIP NOW WITH - - WITH STRATUS AND THE LIKELY TIME TABLE?

OUR NEXT STEP IS TO COMPLETE OUR NEGOTIATION ON THE PURCHASE AND SALES AGREEMENT. THAT'S THE DOCUMENT THAT WILL CLOSE THE PROPERTY. WE EXPECT TO COMPLETE THAT IN THE NEXT 30 DAYS. THEN CONSTRUCTION SHOULD BEGIN SOMETIME FIRST QUARTER OF NEXT YEAR. THEY ARE COUNTING ON A TWO YEAR CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE. SO WE SHOULD SEE DIRT MOVING HERE IN THE NEXT 12 MONTHS. QUESTION, COMMENTS, COUNCIL? IF NOT, THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH. CONGRATULATIONS. GIVE THEM A COUPLE OF MINUTES TO MOVE SOME STORY BOARDS AND VISUALS.

FOR OUR NEXT PRESENTATION, WE HAVE ITEM NO. 51, WHICH IS A PRESENTATION ON FIRST NIGHT AUSTIN 2006. WE WILL HEAR FIRST FROM MS. MYERS, WHO WILL BE REPRESENTING THE BOARD, THE FIRST NIGHT BOARD AND THEN I THINK AFTER HER WE WILL HEAR FROM ANNE GRAHAM FROM THE STAFF.

THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR, MAYOR PRO TEM, MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL AND CITY MANAGER FUTRELL, I WAS ASKED BY THE IMMEDIATE PAST CHAIRMAN ANNE ELIZABETH WYNN AND THE INCOMING CHAIRMAN OF THE FIRST NIGHT BOARD TO REPRESENT THEM AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE BOARD THIS MORNING WITH YOU OR THIS AFTERNOON WITH YOU. WE WANT TO THANK YOU AS A BOARD FOR YOUR SUPPORT FOR THE INITIAL PART OF THIS PROJECT. IT WAS VERY SUCCESSFUL THIS YEAR AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH YOU. WE PARTICULARLY WANT TO THANK YOUR STAFF. THE CITY MANAGER STAFF WAS EXTRAORDINARILY HELPFUL IN PULLING THIS OFF. THEY WORKED MANY LONG HOURS ON NEW YEAR'S EVE. WE WANT YOU TO KNOW HOW MUCH WE APPRECIATE YOU AND YOUR STAFF. AS YOU KNOW, THIS WAS A BRAIN CHILD OF ANNE ELIZABETH WYNN AND I WANT TO SAY IN PUBLIC THAT SHE DID THIS, SHE WENT OUT AND RAISED ALL OF THE MONEY TO DO IT, SHE GOT SPONSORS SUCH AS SAMSUNG, TIME WARNER, STATESMAN, WELLS

FRAGILE GO, FREESCALE, H.E.B., TARGET, DOWNTOWN AUSTIN ALLIANCE, WITHOUT ANNE ELIZABETH THIS PROJECT WOULD NOT HAVE OCCURRED. WE SHALL BE PASSING THE BATON AND WE WILL MISS HER TO JEFF TRIGGER. AND I THINK THAT WE ARE GOING TO PROBABLY EVEN GROW SOME MORE UNDER HIS LEADERSHIP. SO AS A BOARD WE ARE EXCITED TO CONTINUE THIS PROJECT AND WE WOULD LIKE TO GIVE YOU AN UPDATE OF WHAT WE WERE ABLE TO ACHIEVE ON NEW YEAR'S EVE 2005. SO I WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE TO YOU OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ANNE GRAHAM.

WELCOME, MS. GRAHAM.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MAYOR, MAYOR PRO TEM, CITY MANAGER, CITY COUNCIL. WHEN YOU PLAN AN EVENT FOR THE FIRST TIME YOU HAVE NO IDEA HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE GOING TO SHOW UP. I KNOW WE HAD A STATISTICAL AVERAGE OF 10% OF YOUR CITY'S POPULATION. EVEN THAT WAS SORT OF HYPOTHETICAL TO THINK THAT 50 OR 65,000 PEOPLE WOULD SHOW UP. LITTLE DID WE KNOW THE WEATHER WOULD BE 20 DEGREES WARMER THAN IT IS TODAY. WE HAD OVER 100,000 PEOPLE COME TO DOWNTOWN AUSTIN TO PARTICIPATE IN OUR EVENT. I THINK THAT I HAVE NEVER SEEN THE AUSTIN POLICE DEPARTMENT SORT OF SCARED WITH BABY STROLLERS, THERE WAS SO MANY FAMILIES ON THE STREETS OF AUSTIN ON DECEMBER 31st, IT WAS AN EXCITING BUT DAUNTING THING. FIRST NIGHT IS A NEW YEAR'S EVE CELEBRATION OF THE ARTS AS YOU KNOW, FOUNDED ORIGINALLY 30 YEARS AGO IN BOSTON, WE USED THAT MODEL AS THE TEMPLATE FOR OUR EVENT. WE USED OVER 25 DIFFERENT INDOOR AND OUTDOOR LOCATIONS STARTING AT 9th AND CONGRESS WITH AUSTIN MUSEUM OF ART ALL THE WAY DOWN TO AUDITORIUM SHORES, CIVIC SPACES, CORPORATE BUILDINGS, STATE AND PARAMOUNT THEATERS, AUSTIN MUSEUM OF ART, MEXIC-ARTE, ROOF OF THE CITY HALL ITSELF AND TOWN LAKE. OVER 360 PROPOSALS WE RECEIVED OVER 80 OF THEM FUNDED FROM AROUND THE AUSTIN AND CENTRAL TEXAS AREAS. ALL OF THE ARTISTS WERE PAID TO DO THEIR WORK AND ALL OF THE ARTISTS PROGRAMMING WAS CHOSEN WITH AN EYE TO BOTH CULTURAL AND ARTISTIC DIVERSITY, INTEGRAL TO THE

PROGRAMMING TO CREATE AN EVENT THAT REALLY WE'VE  
ART INTO THE FABRIC OF THE CITY. PROJECTIONS ON THE  
SIDES OF BUILDING, SLAM POETS ON BUS STOPS, BALLROOM  
DANCERS IN STREET LOBBIES, SNOW FALLING FROM SNOW  
TREE ISLAND, WHICH WE CALLED IT. NEVER BE THE SAME I  
THINK. OVER A THOUSAND PARTICIPANTS FROM THE  
COMMUNITY IN OUR GRAND PROCEEDINGS DOWN  
CONGRESS AVENUE. THE POSITIVE ECONOMIC IMPACT OF  
FIRST NIGHT WAS REAL TO THE DOWNTOWN BUSINESS  
COMMUNITY. WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE CITY AND OUR  
CORPORATE SPONSORS, WE ADDED TO A VERY RICH AND  
VIBRANT DOWNTOWN. BETWEEN SIXTH STREET AND THE  
WAREHOUSE DISTRICT WE CREATED A COMPLEMENT AND  
ALTERNATIVE TO THE WAY NEW YEAR'S EVE HAS BEEN  
CELEBRATED. WE HOPE SORT OF A NEW WAY TO  
CELEBRATE NEW YEAR'S EVE IN AUSTIN FROM HERE ON IN.  
WE DON'T HAVE LITERAL STATISTIC ANALYSIS, WE DO HAVE  
ANECDOTAL EVIDENCE. THE HOTELS WHICH WERE  
TYPICALLY 70 TO 80% FULL WERE FILLED TO CAPACITY ON  
NEW YEAR'S EVE MUCH OF THE 16 RESTAURANTS THERE  
WAS TWO THREE, FOUR, FIVE TIMES AS MUCH BUSINESS,  
MANY SAYING THEY COULDN'T COOK ENOUGH FOOD  
QUICKLY ENOUGH TO SERVICE THE PUBLIC THAT WAS  
THERE. GOOD PROBLEMS TO HAVE. WE LOOK FORWARD TO  
MORE DEVELOPMENT OF RESTAURANTS OPENING TO FEED  
EVEN MORE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. PEOPLE WERE  
WEARING FIRST NIGHT FLYING INTO AUSTIN-BERGSTROM  
INTERNATIONAL, WE FIELDDED CALLS FROM RESIDENTS OF  
HOUSTON, DALLAS, SAN ANTONIO, KERRVILLE, BUDA, MANOR  
TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO COME, WHERE TO PARK,  
HOW TO PARTICIPATE. REALLY BECAME SORT OF A STELLAR  
EVENT FOR CENTRAL TEXAS. 80% WENT STRAIGHT BACK  
INTO THE AUSTIN ECONOMY THROUGH AUSTIN ARTISTS,  
ARTS GROUPS, SMALL BUSINESSES, MERCHANDISING  
TECHNICAL SUPPORT. EVERY TIME WE COULD WE USED  
CENTRAL TEXAS AND AUSTIN VENDOR. WE ALSO RECEIVED  
EXTENSIVE MEDIA COVERAGE AGAIN HIGHLIGHTING THE  
IMPORTANCE OF AUSTIN IN THIS AREA. WE HAVE HAD  
REFERENCES IN OVER 16 MEDIA PRINT PERIODICALS, OVER  
15 DIFFERENT RADIO AND TV STATIONS, 1.2 MILLION HITS ON  
THE WEB PAGE FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, WITH  
ABOUT 1200 DIFFERENT VISITORS EVERY DAY. MANY OF

THOSE COMING FROM THE CITY OF AUSTIN'S WEBSITE REFERRED TO, ONE OF THE TOP FIVE REFERRERS TO OUR WEBSITE. WE REALLY LOOK FORWARD TO OUR SECOND YEAR. BUILDING A FOUNDATION -- I WANT TO SHOW A FEW PHOTOGRAPHS. I'LL SAY NEXT. I WANT TO SHARE A FEW OF THE IMAGES THAT REALLY, REALLY SPEAK FOR THE EVENT. IF THE TECHNOLOGY WORKS. NO. IT WAS A POWER POINT THAT WAS SENT.

MAYBE WE WILL FIND THAT BY THE TIME WE --

OKAY.

THE THINGS THAT WE WANT TO DO AS WE MOVE AHEAD GOALS FOR THE COMING YEAR, A COMMITMENT TO STRENGTHEN AND EXPAND THE CULTURAL DIVERSITY IN THE PROGRAMMING. FIRST OF ALL WE WANT TO PRAY FOR GOOD WEATHER LIKE WE THIS THIS LAST YEAR. WE WOULD LIKE TO CONTINUE TO KEEP THE FACE AND MISSION OF FIRST NIGHT THROUGHOUT THE YEAR IN THE PUBLIC'S EYE BY USING OUR WEB PAGE TO PROMOTE ARTISTS AND HELP ARTISTS DEVELOP AUDIENCES THROUGH FIRST NIGHT. WE WOULD LIKE TO CONTINUE TO RAISE MORE MONEY TO PAY MORE ARTISTS TO BE INVOLVED IN THE EVENT. WE WOULD LIKE TO BUILD STRONGER TIES WITH THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY, FOR INSTANCE SECOND STREET RETAIL. MORE OF THE RESTAURANTS AND EXPAND THE HOTEL BASE THAT WE USE IN OUR HOTEL PARTNERSHIP. WE WOULD LIKE TO APPROVE EVERYDAY COMMUNICATION WITH THE PUBLIC. I THINK WE FORGET -- FOR THOSE OF US WHO SORT OF LIVE DOWNTOWN AN AWFUL LOT. WE FWERGHT THIS WAS THE FIRST TIME EXPERIENCE FOR A LOT OF PEOPLE COMING DOWNTOWN. EVEN THOUGH THEY MAY LIVE IN THIS AREA. I HEARD PEOPLE SAY THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE WALKED DOWNTOWN AT NIGHT WITH MY FAMILY. I THINK SOMETHING -- I THINK EVERYBODY KNOWS IT. BUT THAT'S SOMETHING THAT WE HAVE LEARNED. ALSO WE WILL PLAN ON CLOSING PART OF CONGRESS AVENUE THIS YEAR. WE'VE HAD A FEW MEETINGS ALREADY WITH THE POLICE DEPARTMENT BECAUSE THERE WERE SO MANY PEOPLE TO ACTUALLY USE CONGRESS AVENUE BETWEEN CESAR CHAVEZ AND FIFTH STREET LEAVING EAST-WEST CONDUITS AND NEVER CLOSING CONGRESS AND FIRST STREET AT THE SAME TIME.

TO BE ABLE TO USE THAT AS A FOOTPRINT FOR PROGRAMMING. WE HAD SO MANY PEOPLE. PLANNING MOVE AHEAD. WE ARE VERY EXCITED ABOUT THE OPPORTUNITY OF OUR SECOND EVENT. WE THANK THE CITY AGAIN FOR THE INCREDIBLE SUPPORT WITHOUT WHICH WE COULDN'T HAVE ACHIEVED THE SUCCESS. ANY LUCK? I'M DONE IF THERE'S ANY QUESTIONS, THANK YOU TREMENDOUSLY FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. ALSO I WANT TO THANK THE CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE, PARTICULARLY JASON BOWER FOR A REMARKABLE TWO OR THREE MONTH EFFORT ON HIS AND THEIR PART. BRIEF SUMMARY, IF I REMEMBER, CAN DO MY MATH CORRECTLY, IT WAS ABOUT A YEAR IN ADVANCE THAT THE CITY OF AUSTIN VOTED TO SEED THE PROJECT, CENTRAL PROJECT WITH ABOUT \$40,000. WE DON'T TAKE EVEN THAT KIND OF SPENDING OR VOTE LIGHTLY. WITH THAT, THE BOARD RAISED 10 TIMES THAT, ABOUT \$400,000 FROM MOSTLY CORPORATE AUSTIN, SAMSUNG BEING THE PREMIER \$100,000 SPONSOR IF I REMEMBER CORRECTLY. ALSO JOINED BY MANY LARGE AND MID SIZED AND EVEN SMALL AUSTIN CORPORATIONS OF DRAMATIC IN-KIND DONATIONS AND INVESTMENTS BY MANY OF OUR EMPLOYERS HERE AND THE DAY WAS A SPECTACULAR SUCCESS. I WAS HERE THE WHOLE TIME WITH MY KIDS AND - - AND I -- YOU KNOW, I WOULD HAVE GUESSED SLIGHTLY MORE. I WOULD HAVE GUESSED 125, 150,000 PEOPLE, BUT THE REMARKABLE THING WAS THAT EASILY A THIRD OF THOSE FOLKS WERE KIDS AND IT WAS JUST A SORT OF A REMARKABLE, YOU KNOW, FAMILY, ALCOHOL FREE EVENT, VERY SAFE. THE PROBLEMS WERE GOOD PROBLEMS TO HAVE. WE WERE RUNNING OUT OF H.E.B. BAGS AT THE MAD HATTER BOOTH. TIMES -- AT TIMES OUT OF FOOD. BUT THE FOOD VENDORS DIDN'T KNOW HOW MANY FOLKS TO SUSPECT. THEY TOO WERE SURPRISED IN OVERWHELMED WITH WELL IN EXCESS OF ONE 100,000 PEOPLE. THE VISUALS WERE SPECTACULAR, THE PARADE WENT ON AND ON. I STOOD UP ON THE BALCONY HERE WITH THE SAMSUNG OFFICIALS, WAS HOPING THAT THEY WOULD FEEL GOOD ABOUT THEIR SPONSORSHIP AND INVESTMENT THEY JUST COULDN'T GET OVER THE -- THE DIVERSITY AND THE SCALE OF THE GRAND PROCESSION. KEPT COMING AND COMING

AND COMING. AGAIN I THINK THE CHILDREN HAD A SPECTACULAR TIME. THE ENTIRE FIRST SOUTH STREET BRIDGE WAS A PIECE OF -- CAN HAVES FOR SIDEWALK CHALK ART. I DON'T KNOW IF WE BROKE THE WORLD RECORD OR NOT.

WE HAVE BEEN COMMUNICATING WITH GUINNESS, STILL WAITING. BUT I THINK THAT WE HAVE BROKEN THE WORLD.

THE WORLD'S LONGEST PIECE OF SIDEWALK CHALK ART. CONTINUOUS PIECE OF ART. JUST A SPECTACULAR DAY. FOR MANY OF US, YOU KNOW WHO WENT HOME, WE HAD THE PRELIMINARY FIREWORKS.

7:00.

AND IT ALLOWED SOME OF THE YOUNG PARENTS TO GO HOME WITH THE KIDS AND THEN THE ADULTS STAYED MUCH LATER THAT NIGHT I PRESUME. THERE WAS A BIGGER FIREWORKS DISPLAY. FRANKLY THAT FED INTO WHAT HAD BEEN OTHER TRADITIONAL NEW YEAR'S EVE CELEBRATIONS AROUND TOWN. SO I THOUGHT THAT THE -- THERE WAS ABSOLUTELY NO SORT OF CANNIBALIZATION OF OTHER NEW YEAR'S EVE EVENTS. IT WAS A DRAMATIC SYNERGY OF BRINGING LITERALLY TENSE AND TENS OF THOUSANDS OF ADDITIONAL FOLKS IN THE DOWNTOWN. I MET MANY, MANY PEOPLE HERE FROM OUT OF TOWN, OUT OF STATE WHO HEARD ABOUT IT. KNEW OF AUSTIN, WANTED TO EXPERIENCE FIRST NIGHT HERE. MY HAT IS OFF TO EVERYBODY INVOLVED, TO THE -- MY COLLEAGUES I GUESS PAST COUNCIL TECHNICALLY THAT STEPPED UP TO SEED THE PROJECT AND AGAIN HATS OFF TO JASON AND A LOT OF CITY EMPLOYEES WHO MADE THE LOGISTICS OF A FIRST TIME EVENT THIS LARGE A SCALE SO SUCCESSFUL AND SO SEEMINGLY SEAMLESS.

I WOULD ALSO JUST LIKE TO COMMEND THE ARTISTS AS WELL. I THINK ONE OF THE THINGS THAT THE ARTS COMMUNITY IS EXTREMELY EXCITED BECAUSE IT'S DIFFERENT. REALLY BY BEING ABLE TO COMMISSION AND PAY ARTISTS TO CREATE ADDITIONAL WORK THAT'S SITE SPECIFIC IS EXTRAORDINARY FOR AUSTIN. IT'S TEMPORARY, DOESN'T HAVE SOME OF THE COMPLEXITY OF A PERMANENT

WORK. REALLY AFFORDED A NEW WAY TO EXPERIENCE THE CITY.

AGREED.

DID I TALK LONG ENOUGH TO GET THE VISUAL UP?

THIS WILL BE FAST AND FUN. STREET ACTIVITY ON THE STREETS OF CONGRESS, MUSIC, DANCE. GO THROUGH THEM QUICKLY. ROBOT TRAINS WITH CHILDREN. PRINT PULLING AT MEXIC-ARTE. FULL CIRCLE LIGHT ORCHESTRA AT THE STATE THEATER INTERNATIONAL MUSIC. CLIENTCHINESE YO-YO TROOP. BUILDING SCALING ON THE SIDE OF THE RADISSON HOTEL. THAT WAS EXTRAORDINARY. 32 CLIMBERS UP AND DOWN THE BUILDING. SLAM POETRY ON THE PARK BENCH IN FRONT OF THE PARAMOUNT THEATER. LOTS OF CHILDREN IN STROLLERS. SCHOOL OF CHINA DANCE IN THE BANK OF AMERICA BUILDING. FROST BANK LOBBY. TYCO DRUMMING FIRST FLOOR OF THE ONE CONGRESS PLAZA, WELLS FARGO BUILDING. BREAK DANCING B BOYS FROM AUSTIN. TEEN BREAK DANCERS. BAG PIPERS PERFORMING ON A BALCONY, ALSO IN THE GRAND PROCESSION. SNOW TREE ISLAND ACROSS THE STREET. SNOW BROUGHT IN PLUS SNOW MAYING MACHINES SUSPENDED FROM THE TREES. YOU COULD ACTUALLY HAVE SNOWFLAKES, SOAKED, ALL THE WAY OVER TO CITY HALL WITH THE SOUTHERLY WIND. REFLECTIVE SIDEWALK, A THOUSAND SQUARE FOOT REFLECTIVE SIDEWALK. TRANSPOSING WHAT'S UP, WHAT'S DOWN. BRAZILIAN THEATER AND DANCE GROUP IN THE GRAND PROCESSION. BIG CHIEF KEVIN FROM NEW ORLEANS IN THE MARDI GRAS INDIANS, LIVE ON CITY HALL PLAZA. BRENTWOOD AND CRESTVIEW NEIGHBORHOOD WITH THE VIOLENT CROWN PROJECTS, OVER 200 MEMBERS MAKING VIOLENT CROWNS, PARTICIPATING IN THE PROS SESSION. CYCLE CIRCUS AND BIKES ACROSS BORDERS. CITY OF AUSTIN PROGRAM RUN THROUGH THE PARKS AND RECREATION, ABOUT 150 YOUNG PEOPLE AT 15 DIFFERENT ... OUTSIDE CITY HALL ALL EVENING LONG. ANOTHER TOTALLY COOL TOTALLY ART PROJECT. GIANT ANT CAR BY WILCOX. BREAD, PROJECT BREAD, 2006 LOAVES OF BREAD DISTRIBUTED THROUGHOUT THE CITY WITH AN INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROS SESSION BREAK BREAD TOGETHER. VERY INNOVATIVE

GROUP THAT WORKS WITH CHILDREN FROM EAST AUSTIN SCHOOLS AND FOUR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND ONE MIDDLE SCHOOL PARTICIPATED IN THE GRAND PROCEEDINGS, ABOUT 120 CHILDREN INVOLVED. CHIP. A MOBILE PUPPET THEATER. STEVIE RAY VAUGHN MADE BY TOTALLY COOL TOTALLY ART. FIREWORKS OFF THE ROOF OF THE CSC BUILDING. ACCOLADES FOR LETTING US ON THE ROOF. I THOUGHT WE WOULD NEVER GET ON THE ROOF. THAT WAS A 7:00 FAMILY FINALE. NEXT. OSCAR'S SHADOW CATCHING, 110-FOOT LONG CANVAS, ALL PAINTED PEOPLE FROM THE DAY OF THE EVENT. SEGUE BALLET. CITY EMPLOYEE THERE ON THE LEFT WITH THE GIANT PEA. PROJECTIONS IN WINDOWS. BLUE LAPIS DANCE STATE THEATER. FIELD SKETCH, 150-FOOT LONG SCAFFOLDING STRUCTURE ON AUDITORIUM SHORES. BY U.T. DESIGN AND ARCHITECTURE STUDENTS. BOLL WOOD DANCING ONE CONGRESS PLAZA, FIRE DANCING AUDITORIUM SHORES. MORE FIRE DANCING. JOHNNY WALKERS FLOATING DRAGON ON TOWN LAKE WITH THE ZILKER CHRISTMAS TREE IN THE BACKGROUND. NEXT. THIS PICTURE SHOULD BE ON THE FRONT OF EVERY BROCHURE FOR THE COMING YEAR, THE FLOATING DRAGON AND THE SKYLINE. THEM FIREWORKS AT MIDNIGHT FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO DIDN'T STAY UP UNTIL MIDNIGHT. THAT WAS THE EVENT. THANK YOU VERY, VERY MUCH, APPRECIATE IT. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, COUNCIL? THANK YOU VERY MUCH, I LOOK FORWARD TO NEXT YEAR. COUNCIL, THAT TAKE US TO OUR BRIEFING ON THE TRANSPORTATION AND DRAINAGE BOND ELEMENT OF A RECOMMENDED 2006 BOND ELECTION.

GOOD AFTERNOON, GREG CANALE BUDGET OFFICER. READY YET?

Futrell: YOU DON'T GET TO HAVE TECHNICAL PROBLEMS.

I DON'T. I DON'T. VOILA, THERE WE ARE. WE ARE BACK BEFORE YOU TODAY TO BEGIN PRESENT TALKSES ON INDIVIDUAL COMPONENTS OF THE BOND ELECTION. AFTER A QUICK RECAP OF THE PROCESS AND SCHEDULE, YOU WILL HEAR FROM JOE PAN TALL I DON'T KNOW DIRECTOR OF THE WATERSHED PROTECTION DEVELOPMENT AND REVIEW

DEPARTMENT ON DRAINAGE BONDS AND SONDRRA CRAYTON  
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS ON TRANSPORTATION BONDS.  
WITH PHASE 1 THE NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND  
RECOMMENDATION FROM THE BOND COMMITTEE NOW  
COMPLETE, THE CURRENT PHASE OR PHASE 2 WILL  
CULMINATE IN AN ELECTION ON NOVEMBER 7th 7th. OVER  
THE NEXT TWO MONTHS YOU WILL FINALIZE THE BOND  
PROGRAM AND THE FINAL AMOUNT. THE COMPONENTS AND  
THE FUNDING FOR EACH OF THE COMPONENTS, ESTABLISH  
THE BALLOT STRUCTURE, HOW THEY WILL APPEAR ON THE  
BALLOT, FINALLY ORDER THE BOND ELECTION ITSELF.  
DURING MARCH AND APRIL, WE WILL BE PRESENTING THE  
BOND PROGRAM BOTH INVESTING IN OUR INFRASTRUCTURE  
COMPONENTS, DRAINAGE AND TRANSPORTATION TODAY,  
WITH FACILITY RENOVATION PRESENTATION ON APRIL 6th.  
FOLLOWED BY INVESTMENT AND FUTURE COMPONENTS.  
OVER TWO MONTHS, OVER THOSE TWO MEETINGS IN APRIL.  
ON MAY 18th, MAY 25th THAT WILL BE TOO LATE, ITEMS ON  
THE COUNCIL AGENDA FOR YOU TO SET THE BOND  
ELECTION AND TO ORDER THE BOND ELECTION. YOU HAVE  
BEFORE YOU BOTH THE -- THE CITY MANAGER'S NEEDS  
ASSESSMENT AND THE RECOMMENDATION FROM THE BOND  
ELECTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE. THESE CAN SERVE AS A  
FRAMEWORK FOR THE DECISION MAKING PROCESS ON THE  
FINAL AMOUNT. YOU HAVE INDICATED THIS A BOND  
PACKAGE CLOSER TO \$500 MILLION IS PREFERABLE  
COMPARED TO ONE CLOSER TO \$600 MILLION. WITH THIS  
DIRECTION TODAY WE BEGIN THE PROCESS OF PUTTING  
TOGETHER THE BOND PACKAGE. THE FOLLOWING  
PRESENTATIONS ON DRAINAGE AND TRANSPORTATION WILL  
ADDRESS THREE POINTS. ONE THEY WILL REVIEW THE  
PROGRAM AREAS. TWO THEY WILL DESCRIBE HOW CRITERIA  
FOR PROJECTS ARE DETERMINED. AND FINALLY THEY WILL  
RECOMMEND AN AMOUNT OF FUNDING FOR EACH. THIS  
RECOMMENDATION WILL BEGIN THE PROCESS OF GETTING  
THE BOND PROGRAM TO THE 500 MILLION TO 530 MILLION-  
DOLLAR RANGE THAT YOU HAVE INDICATED. AT  
SUBSEQUENT BRIEFINGS WE WILL DO THE SAME FOR THE  
OTHER INVESTMENT IN OUR INFRASTRUCTURE AND  
INVESTMENT IN OUR FUTURE BOND COMPONENTS. FROM  
THE BEGINNING OF THIS PROCESS, STARTING WITH A NEEDS  
ASSESSMENT, WE HAVE STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF

COORDINATION AMONG PROJECTS. NOWHERE IS THAT MORE IMPORTANT THAN BETWEEN DRAINAGE AND TRANSPORTATION. WHERE THERE'S AN OVERLAP THESE PROJECTS WILL BE COORDINATED WITH EACH OTHER AS THIS IS AN EFFICIENT USE OF THE BOND RESOURCES. FOR EXAMPLE EACH OF OUR STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECTS WILL ADDRESS ANY NEEDED STORM DRAIN IMPROVEMENTS AS SONDRÁ WILL DETAIL THIS MORNING IN HER PRESENTATION. BUT FIRST HERE IS JOE DIRECTOR OF WATERSHED PROTECTION TO WALK YOU THROUGH THE RECOMMENDATION ON DRAINAGE BONDS. [ONE MOMENT PLEASE FOR CHANGE IN CAPTIONERS]

THERE ARE MORE THAN 7,000 AT RISK HOMES AND BUSINESSES IN AUSTIN'S FLOODPLAINS. HERE ARE A FEW EXAMPLES OF PROJECTS THAT ADDRESS CREEK FLOODING, INCLUDING REGIONAL DETENTION PONDS, CHANNEL MODIFICATIONS, FLOOD WALLS AND BUYOUTS. THESE ARE THE PRIMARY STRATEGIES TO PROTECT OUR CITIZENS FROM FLOODING. THE TWO PHOTOS AT THE BOTTOM OF THE SLIDE TOOK 360 HOMES OUT OF THE FLOODPLAIN AT A COST OF AROUND \$25 MILLION. I KNOW THAT SEVERAL OF YOU ATTENDED THE RIBBON CUTTINGS FOR THESE IN THE PAST YEAR WHERE YOU WERE ABLE TO MEET SOME VERY HAPPY CITIZENS ONCE THIS PROJECT WAS PUT IN PLACE. IN REGARDS TO LOCALIZED FLOOD HAZARD MITIGATION, AFTER EVERY RAINFALL CITIZENS COMPLAIN ABOUT DRAINAGE. MANY ARE OLD AND UNDERSIZED. THIS IS ESPECIALLY TRUE IN SUBDIVISIONS CONSTRUCTED BEFORE 1974, THE YEAR THE CITY FIRST ESTABLISHED DRAINAGE REGULATIONS TO ADDRESS FULLY DEVELOPED CONDITIONS. DURING A STORM, WHEN THESE STORM DRAINS REACH CAPACITY, FLOOD WATERS RUN ON TO STREETS, YARDS AND INTO HOMES AND BUSINESSES. SINCE 1988 WE HAVE LOGGED MORE THAN 3,400 CITIZEN COMPLAINTS ABOUT STORM DRAIN PROBLEMS. PROPOSED BOND WILL PROVIDE FUNDING TO CONSTRUCT NEW STORM DRAIN SYSTEMS AND TO UPGRADE AND ENLARGE EXISTING SYSTEMS ACROSS AUSTIN. FUNDING IS ALSO INCLUDED IN OUR PROJECT COSTS TO PAY FOR PUBLIC WORKS RELATED STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECTS IN THE SAME VICINITY AS OUR STORM DRAIN PROJECTS. AGAIN, ANOTHER EFFORT

TO INTEGRATE ACROSS NOT ONLY OUR WATERSHED MISSIONS, BUT ALSO THE MISSIONS OF OTHER DEPARTMENTS. THERE ARE HUNDREDS OF LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT AUSTIN WHERE HOMES, BUSINESS BUSINESSES, ROADWAYS AND YARDS ARE THREATENED BY CREEK EROSION AND WIDENING. IN ADDITION TO BUYOUTS, CHANNEL STABILIZATION PROJECTS ARE THE MOST USED TO FIX THE PROBLEMS. SINCE EVERY STORM HAS A CAPACITY TO ERODE BANKS NRKS SOME CASES PROJECTS MUST BE FUNDED ON AN EMERGENCY BASIS. IN FACT, THERE WERE TWO EXAMPLES ON THIS SLIDE WHERE IN THE PAST YEAR COUNCIL HAS AWARDED EMERGENCY FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THESE PROJECTS, INCLUDING THE FORT BRANCH CREEK AT MANOR ROAD, EMERGENCY CREEK BANK RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT. AND THEN ALSO THE MANOR CIRCLE EMERGENCY CREEK BANK RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT IN TANNEHILL BRANCH AND THIS ONE AT THE BOTTOM PROTECTED TWO FOUR-PLEXES AT THE CREEK BANK. AND IF YOU LOOK AT THE PICTURE ON THE BOTTOM LEFT-HAND SIDE YOU CAN SEE THAT THE CREEK BANK WAS ACTUALLY STARTING TO ERODE UNDER THE FOUNDATION OF THIS LARGE FOUR-PLEX. THE PROJECTS THAT YOU SEE ON THE RIGHT AFTER PROJECTION COMPLEX ARE ALMOST COMPLETE. THEY'LL REQUIRE THE REVEGETATION THAT WE TYPICALLY DO ABOVE THE LIMESTONE AREA TO COME IN AND GREEN THE BANKS UP. AND AGAIN, THAT GOES RIGHT TO OUR DEDICATION TO THE INTEGRATED APPROACH AND ALSO TO USING SUSTAINABLEABLE DESIGNS WHERE THEY WILL ESTABLISH VEGETATION, NATIVE VEGETATION ABOVE THE NATIVE LIMESTONE BLOCKS ON OUR PROJECTS. IN REGARDS TO WATER QUALITY PROTECTION, WITH INCREASES IN IMPERVIOUS COVER KS URBANIZATION DID HE GRADES THE QUALITY OF OUR LOCAL CREEKS, SEVERELY IMPACTS THE NATURAL CHARACTER OF OUR CREEKS, REDUCE WATER QUALITY AND DESTROY HABITAT. WATER QUALITY RETROFITS AND RECHARGE PROJECTS WILL ATTEMPT TO REVERSE THESE IMPACTS AND PROTECT OUR WATERWAYS INTO THE FUTURE. THE PRIORITIES AND THE STAFF'S NEEDS ASSESSMENT REFLECTED THE RESULTS OF OUR MASTER PLANNING PROCESS, WHICH INCLUDED A CITIZENS ADVISORY GROUP AND SEVERAL PUBLIC

MEETINGS. THE MASTER PLAN IDENTIFIED PROBLEM SEVERITY AS THE PRIMARY FACTOR. OTHER FACTORS CONSIDERED INCLUDED OVERALL PUBLIC BENEFIT AND AN EMPHASIS ON DRAINAGE INFRASTRUCTURE. FOLLOWING THE BOND ELECTION, THE DEPARTMENT WILL WORK WITH THE BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO APPLY THE SAME CRITERIA TO APPLY ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS OVER THE SIX YEAR BOND EXPENDITURE PERIOD. THIS MAP SHOWS THE ORIGINAL NEEDS ASSESSMENT PROJECTS. ONE OF THE PROJECT SELECTION CRITERIA AS WE MOVED FORWARD WAS TO LOOK AT GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION. AS YOU CAN SEE, THE PROPOSED PROJECTS ARE DISTRIBUTED WELL ACROSS THE CITY. AS WE PREPARE THE PROJECT PRIORITY LIST, WE WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN A GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION ON AN ANNUAL BASIS. IN REGARDS TO OUR CURRENT CASH FUNDING, RECENT INCREASES IN THE DRAINAGE UTILITY RATES HAVE BEEN DEDICATED TO MAINTENANCE WORK AND CASH TRANSFERS FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS. FOR THE PAST FIVE YEARS, MAINTENANCE FUNDING HAS INCREASED FROM 6.3 MILLION TO 9.5 MILLION, FUNDING CITY CREWS AND THEIR WORK TO MAKE DIRECT IMPROVEMENTS OUT IN THE FIELD IN AREAS RELATED TO STORM DRAINS OR POND MAINTENANCE AND OUR OPEN WATERWAY MAINTENANCE.

THE MASTER PLAN DID NOT ENVISION THAT DRAINAGE UTILITY SUPPORT ALONE WOULD BE SUFFICIENT TO SUPPORT IDENTIFIED INFRASTRUCTURE NEED. DEMAND TO MAINTENANCE FUNDING WILL CONTINUE TO INCREASE AS THE NEED FOR CREEK VEGETATION CONTROL, POND MAINTENANCE, STORM DRAIN CLEANING AND REHAB AND WATERWAY MAINTENANCE CONTINUES TO GROW. IN RESPONSES TO THE BOND PACKAGE GOAL WE HAVE DEVELOPED A PROPOSAL FOR \$95 MILLION OF DRAINAGE PROJECTS. THIS GRAPH COMPARES MASTER PLAN FUNDING NEEDS TO DRAINAGE FEE ONLY FUNDING AND TO FUNDING WITH THE DRAINAGE FEE SUPPLEMENTED BY 95 MILLION DOLLARS' WORTH OF BONDING SPREAD OUT OVER SIX YEARS. THE MASTER PLAN FUNDING NEED ESTIMATED ABOUT \$20 MILLION PER YEAR, WHICH IS SHOWN IN BLUE, AND SHOWS A CUMULATIVE REQUIREMENT OF ABOUT 260 MILLION IN THE YEAR 2013, THE YEAR WHEN THE

ANTICIPATED BOND FUNDING WOULD BE SPENT. RELYING ON DRAINAGE FEES ONLY, THE LINE SHOWN IN RED, OVER THAT SAME TIME FRAME, PROVIDES A CUMULATIVE AMOUNT OF \$150 MILLION IN 2013 OR ABOUT \$110 MILLION SHORT OF THE PROJECTED MASTER PLAN NEED. ADDING THE 95 MILLION BOND FUNDING TO DRAINAGE FUNDING, WHICH IS THE LINE SHOWN IN GREEN, RESULTS IN ALMOST 250 MILLION IN CUMULATIVE FUNDING AT THAT POINT, TAKING US MUCH CLOSER TO THE 260-MILLION-DOLLAR GOAL FOR THE COMBINED MASTER PLAN FUNDING LEVEL. AND SO MAYOR AND COUNCIL, WITH 95 MILLION DOLLARS' WORTH OF BONDING AND COMBINING THAT WITH THE AVAILABLE DRAINAGE UTILITY FUNDING, THESE ARE SOME OF THE BENEFITS THAT WE HOPE TO EXPERIENCE OVER THE NEXT SIX YEARS AS WE IMPLEMENT THAT LEVEL OF FUNDING FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS. FOR FLOOD CONTROL OVER 1300 HOMES AND ROADWAYS POTENTIALLY REMOVED FROM THE FLOODPLAIN. LOCALIZED FLOODING, OVER 71,000 LINEAR FEET OF NEW STORM DRAIN INSTALLED AND 225 HOMES, YARDS AND STREETS WITH REDUCED FLOOD HAZARD. AGAIN, WE'RE COLLABORATING WITH PUBLIC WORKS ON THIS BOND PACKAGE, AND FOR THE FIRST TIME FUNDING IS BEING INCLUDED TO DO THE TYPE OF STREET RECONSTRUCTION IN THESE AREAS WHERE LOCALIZED FLOOD PROJECTS ARE IDENTIFIED. AND THAT IS AS OPPOSED TO JUST GOING BACK IN AND CREATING THE TRENCH WORK AND JUST OVERLAYING ACROSS THE TRENCH. WE WOULD ESSENTIALLY BE LOOKING AT THE ROADWAY, EITHER THE ENTIRE LANE OR AN OVERLAY ACROSS THE STREET. FOR EROSION CONTROL, OVER 350 PROPERTIES, UTILITIES AND ROADWAYS WERE REMOVED FROM EROSION THREAT AND 1700 -- 17,500 LINEAR FEET OF STREAM BANK STABILIZED. FOR WATER QUALITY PROTECTION WE HOPE TO HAVE AROUND 3,500 WATER QUALITY ACRES TREATED. COUNCIL, THIS CONCLUDES THE PORTION, THE DRAINAGE PORTION OF THE PRESENTATION. UNLESS YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, I WILL NOW TURN IT OVER TO SONDR A CREIGHTON, THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR. >>

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, JOE. QUESTIONS?  
COUNCILMEMBER LEFFINGWELL.

Leffingwell: HAVE YOU ALREADY GIVEN US OR DO YOU PLAN TO GIVE US A LIST OF SPECIFIC PROJECTS THAT COMPRISE THIS 95 MILLION?

THE STAFF CAN PREPARE THAT LIST AND WE DO HAVE THAT LIST. WHAT WE ANTICIPATE IS THAT THAT LIST WILL BE A DYNAMIC LIST AS WE LEARN MORE ABOUT THE PROBLEMS AND THE SEVERITY OF THE PROBLEMS, WHICH IS THE PRIMARY RANKING FACTOR. AND COUNCIL WILL SEE THAT LIST ON AN ANNUAL BASIS AS WE PROPOSE OUR CIP PLAN. THE ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD WILL SEE IT, YOU WILL SEE THE PROPOSED BUDGET AND YOU WILL ALSO SEE IT AS THE PROJECT FUNDING IS AUTHORIZED FOR DESIGN AND FOR CONSTRUCTION. YES, WE DO HAVE THAT LIST.

Leffingwell: I ASSUME THAT IT WOULD BE A PRIORITIZED LIST, THE HIGHEST PRIORITY NUMBER ONE.

RIGHT. >>

Leffingwell: AND ALSO THE BOND ADVISORY COMMISSION ALSO HAS A PRIORITIZED LIST, I BELIEVE. IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO SEE THOSE SIDE BY SIDE.

WE CAN PROVIDE YOU THAT INFORMATION.

Leffingwell: THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: COUNCILMEMBER MCCRACKEN.

McCracken: MR. PANTALION, ON THE BENEFITS AND NEEDS FOR THE DRAINAGE AND WATER QUALITY INFRASTRUCTURE, CAN YOU DESCRIBE FOR US -- YOU MENTIONED THAT THE INFRASTRUCTURE WOULD HELP REDUCE THE FLOODING RISK TO HOMES AND BUSINESSES, IS THAT RIGHT?

THAT'S CORRECT. >>

McCracken: SO CAN YOU DESCRIBE FOR US WHAT IS THE BENEFIT TO HOMES AND BUSINESSES THAT HAVE BEEN SELLING THESE -- FOR THIS INFRASTRUCTURE?

I DIDN'T HEAR THAT LAST PART.

McCracken: CAN YOU DESCRIBE THE BENEFITS TO HOMES AND BUSINESSES OF INSTALLING THIS STORM WATER INFRASTRUCTURE?

SURE. IN REGARDS TO PROVIDING STORM DRAIN INFRASTRUCTURE, WE WOULD BE CONSTRUCTING THESE UPGRADES AND NEW STORM DRAINS IN AREAS THAT ARE CURRENTLY FLOODING. SO WHAT WE WOULD HOPE TO DO IS PROVIDE A LEVEL OF SERVICE WHERE THERE WOULD NOT BE FLOODING UP TO THE 100 YEAR STORM IF WE WERE ABLE TO GET THAT TYPE OF SYSTEM IN PLACE. CERTAINLY FROM THERE IS THE MISSED CHANCES OF HAVING TO CLEAN OUT OUR HOUSE AND DAMAGED FURNITURE ON A YEAR TO YEAR BASIS AS YOU'RE FLOODED. ALSO WHEN YOU'RE IN A FLOODPLAIN, PER SE, THERE MAY HAVE BEEN SOME LIMITATIONS PLACED ON YOU TO EITHER EXPAND YOUR HOME OR DO WORK WITHIN YOUR AREA. AND YOU WOULD BE FORCED TO COME TO -- TO A COUNCIL MEETING TO GET A FLOODPLAIN VARIANCE. IN THOSE CASES WHERE THE FLOODPLAIN IS REDUCED, YOU WOULD HAVE TO NO LONGER DO THAT. IN THOSE AREAS WHERE OUR CUSTOMERS ARE CURRENTLY HAVING TO PAY FOR FLOOD INSURANCE, IF WE ARE ABLE TO IMPLEMENT PROJECTS, THAT TAKES THEM OUT OF THE FLOODPLAIN AND HAVE THE MAPS MODIFIED AND THAT WOULD NO LONGER BE A REQUIREMENT.

McCracken: SO IN OTHER WORDS, IF WE'RE ABLE TO INSTALL THE DRAINAGE -- IF YOU INSTALL DRAINAGE AND STORM WATER INFRASTRUCTURE AND WATER QUALITY INFRASTRUCTURE, THAT HAS THE EFFECT OF REMOVING CERTAIN HOMES AND BUSINESSES FROM THE FLOODPLAIN, IS THAT IS THAT CORRECT?

THAT IS CORRECT.

McCracken: AND DOES THAT MAKE -- LET ME ASK YOU THIS: WHAT ARE THE WATER QUALITY BENEFITS TO INSTALLING WATER QUALITY INFRASTRUCTURE SUCH AS WHAT YOU'VE DESCRIBED IN YOUR PRESENTATION?

SURE. FOR THE MOST PART THE WATER QUALITY

COMPONENTS IN THIS BOND PROPOSAL ARE ESSENTIALLY SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS TO THE LARGER FLOOD AND EROSION PROJECTS WHERE WE'RE TRYING TO INTEGRATE, BUT IN THOSE CASES WHAT WE WOULD BE LOOKING AT ARE TRYING TO PUT DEVICES EITHER AT STORM DRAIN INLETS OR THINGS LIKE A (INDISCERNIBLE) TO REALLY PREVENT THE TYPE OF AESTHETIC IMPACT THAT TRASH HAS ON OUR WATERWAYS, ALSO DEPENDING ON OTHER TYPES OF WATER QUALITY CONTROLS, WE MAY PUT ON SUCH AS SAND FILTERS OR EVEN WET PONDS WE WOULD BE ABLE TO REDUCE POLLUTE ANT LOADINGS TO OUR CREEK, WHICH WOULD DEFINITELY HELP THE HEALTH OF THE AQUATIC HABITAT AND CERTAINLY THE CREEKS WHERE OUR CITIZENS, OUR KIDS PLAY IN THE CREEKS, IT WOULD MAKE IT A SAFER AND HEALTHIER CREEK.

McCracken: IN FACT, WHAT WOULD BE THE NEGATIVE IMPACT ON WATER QUALITY IF WE FAILED TO INSTALL THIS WATER QUALITY INFRASTRUCTURE?

I THINK THE MASTER PLAN SAID IT VERY CLEARLY, THAT WITH INCREASING IMPERVIOUS COVER COMES CONTINUED DEGRADATION OF OUR CREEKS FOR THAT. THE RATHER WHERE RAINFALL WOULD FALL AND IS INTO THE GROUND, THAT WOULD NOW HIT A ROOFTOP OR PARKING LOT AND FLOW INTO THE CREEK. SO DURING DRY WEATHER YOU WOULD NOT HAVE THAT BASE FLOW, THE CREEKS WOULD NOT RUN OR FLOW AS LONG AFTER A RAINFALL EVENT. SO REALLY IT'S A MATTER OF TRYING TO PREVENT YOUR CREEKS FROM ESSENTIALLY BECOMING AN URBAN DRAINAGE CHANNEL.

McCracken: I THINK I WAS ASKING A DIFFERENT QUESTION. MAYBE IT WASN'T, BUT WHAT I'M TRYING TO FIGURE OUT IS IF WE DON'T INSTALL THE WATER QUALITY INFRASTRUCTURE, WHAT IS THE IMPACT ON WATER QUALITY IF WE FAIL TO INSTALL THAT TYPE OF INFRASTRUCTURE? DOES IT EQUAL MORE POLLUTION OR LOST OPPORTUNITY DUE TO IMPROVED WATER QUALITY?

I THINK IT'S BOTH OF THOSE, COUNCILMEMBER. CERTAINLY AS WE'RE OUT THERE, ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE COMMITTED TO AND OUR CITIZENS ADVISORY GROUP AND

THE ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD WAS VERY ADAMANT WAS THAT AS WE WENT OUT THERE TO FIX THESE FLOOD AND EROSION PROJECTS THAT WE INCORPORATE WATER QUALITY COMPONENTS INTO THEM SO THAT WE DON'T LOSE OUR MISS AN OPPORTUNITY JUST FROM A COST EFFECTIVENESS SCENARIO, BUT THERE WILL BE WHERE THOSE OPPORTUNITIES ARE NOT TAKEN ADVANTAGE OF A MISSED OPPORTUNITY TO IMPROVE WATER QUALITY IN OUR CREEKS.

McCracken: AND THERE'S A REASON WHY I ASK THESE QUESTIONS IS BECAUSE THERE WILL BE A CHARTER ITEM IN FRONT OF THE VOTERS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, CHARTER ITEM NUMBER 2, WHICH WOULD REQUIRE THE CITY TO PRIORITIZE INVESTMENTS IN NEW INFRASTRUCTURE THAT WOULD HAVE ANY EFFECT OF I GUESS SUBSIDIZING BUSINESS OR PROPERTY VALUES. IT WOULD REQUIRE US TO NOT -- TO PRIORITIZE IT AWAY FROM THE BARTON SPRINGS ZONE AND IN FACT NOT ENTER INTO ANY TYPE OF AGREEMENT THAT WOULD HAVE THE EFFECT OF SUBSIDIZING ANY TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT IN THE BARTON SPRINGS ZONE. SO WHAT WE'VE HEARD FROM YOU TODAY IS THAT INSTALLING DRAINAGE AND STORM WATER INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVES WATER QUALITY, BUT THE FAILURE TO INSTALL THAT DRAINAGE IN WATER QUALITY INFRASTRUCTURE ACTUALLY LEADS TO REDUCED WATER QUALITY AND THAT BY TAKING HOMES AND BUSINESSES OUT OF THE FLOODPLAIN THAT DOES MAKE THEM -- THAT REDUCES THEIR FLOODING RISK AND THERE BY MAKES THEM MORE REDEVELOPABLE AND SAFER PLUS PLAISES, REDUCES THEIR FLOOD RISK AND IMPROVES THEIR VALUES. AND I'VE LOOKED AT THE MASTER PLAN THAT YOU HAVE HERE ON PAGE 14, AND WHAT IT SHOWS IS THAT THE PRIORITY PROJECTS, THE IMPROVED WATER QUALITY AND IMPROVED PUBLIC SAFETY INCLUDES QUITE A FEW PROJECTED PROJECTS IN THE BARTON SPRINGS ZONE. SO MY READ OF THE PROPOSED CHARTER ITEM NUMBER 2 IS THAT WE WOULD HAVE TO DRAW BASICALLY A BOX AROUND THE BOTTOM LEFT QUADRANT OF THIS AND NOT DO ANY OF THESE PROJECTS, INCLUDING IT LOOKS LIKE TWO MAJOR WATER QUALITY PROJECTS AND A NUMBER OF STORM DRAINAGE AND EROSION CONTROL AND MULTIOBJECTIVE

PROJECTS. JUST TO KIND OF SHOW THAT THE CITY HAS IDENTIFIED INFRASTRUCTURE IN THE BARTON SPRINGS ZONE THAT WOULD IMPROVE WATER QUALITY, IMPROVE PUBLIC SAFETY, TAKE HOMES AND BUSINESSES OUT OF THE FLOODING AND YET IF PROP 2 PASSES, THE LANGUAGE OF THAT APPEARS TO PROHIBIT US FROM DOING THESE THINGS THAT I THINK WE ALL RECOGNIZE WOULD BE BENEFICIAL FOR WATER QUALITY AND BENEFICIAL FOR HOMEOWNERS AND BENEFICIAL FOR PUBLIC SAFETY. THANKS.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. QUESTIONS, COMMENTS?  
COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ.

Alvarez: JUST TO CLARIFY THEN, THEN THE RECOMMENDED LEVEL WOULD BE 95 MILLION?

YES, SIR.

Alvarez: AT LEAST GIVEN THE FACT THAT WE'RE TRYING TO SCALE THE WHOLE PACKAGE DOWN.

RIGHT.

Alvarez: THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: I GUESS NEXT WE'LL HEAR FROM SONDRA CREIGHTON, PUBLIC WORKS.

GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR, MAYOR PRO TEM, COUNCILMEMBERS, I'M SONDRA CREIGHTON, DIRECTOR OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT. AND I'LL BE REVIEWING THE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK. THE OBJECTIVES TO BE ACHIEVED THROUGH THE PROPOSED BOND FUNDING AND CRITERIA FOR PRIORITIZING THE PROJECTS. MY FOCUS WILL BE ON THE EXISTING ROAD NETWORK WITH OUR OBJECTIVE BEING TO PRESERVE OUR EXISTING INVESTMENTS. OUR TRANSPORTATION NETWORK INCLUDES A GROWING INVENTORY OF CLOSE TO 7,000 LANE MILES OF ROADWAYS. 320 BRIDGES, OVER 800 SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS, 2500 MILES OF SIDEWALKS, AND 50 MILES OF BIKE ROUTES. THE 7,000 LANE MILES OF ROADWAYS IN THE CITY STREET NETWORK ALONE ARE VALUED AT ABOUT \$2.3 BILLION. THIS SLIDE SHOWS A BREAKDOWN BETWEEN ARTERIALS,

COLLECTORS AND RESIDENTIAL STREETS ALONG WITH THE DAILY USAGE THAT OUR KNIT WORK GETS. BURNET ROAD AND MANOR ROAD ARE A COUPLE OF EXAMPLES OF ARTERIALS WHICH OF COURSE CARRY THE HIGHEST VOLUMES OF TRAFFIC. ROADS LIKE STECK AVENUE AND NORTHEAST DRIVE THAT TIE INTO THESE ARTERIALS ARE CONSIDERED COLLECTORS. AND RESIDENTIAL STREETS THEN TIE INTO THE COLLECTORS AND THEY CARRY EVEN LESS TRAFFIC. NOW I WOULD LIKE TO PROVIDE YOU WITH MORE DETAILED INFORMATION ON THE CONDITION OF OUR ROAD NETWORK, SINCE IT FORMS THE LARGEST COMPONENT OF THE CITY'S TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE. WE USE A GRADING SYSTEM FOR OUR ROADS SIMILAR TO WHAT SCHOOLS USE, WITH A-B EXCELLENT AND F BEING FAILED. AS YOU CAN SEE FROM THIS CHART, 73% OF THE ROADS ARE CURRENTLY IN EXCELLENT TO FAIR CONDITION. THE ONLY REMEDY FOR THE 27% OF ROADS IN THE POOR AND FAILED CATEGORY IS TOTAL RECONSTRUCTION OF THE ROAD. THE COST TO RECONSTRUCT THIS BACKLOG IS ABOUT \$750 MILLION. IF WE DON'T INVEST NOW TO RECONSTRUCT THE INSATISFACTORY ROADS, THE FAILED INVENTORY WILL CONTINUE TO INCREASE AND COULD EVENTUALLY OUT NUMBER THOSE IN SATISFACTORY CONDITIONS. THESE PICTURES SHOW YOU WHAT A FAILED ROAD LOOKS LIKE. THIS ROAD IS TYPICAL OF THE CONDITION OF FAILED ROADS IN AUSTIN. THE DETERIORATION IS EVIDENT IN THE CRACKED, POTHOLED AND UNEVEN SURFACE OF THE ROAD. YOU CAN SEE IN THE LOWER PICTURE THAT THE ROAD HAS BEEN PATCHED NUMEROUS TIMES, JUST IN AN EFFORT TO KEEP IT DRIVABLE. AND OF COURSE, THIS DIVERTS OUR PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE CREWS FROM BEING ABLE TO DO PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE WORK, AND THEY'RE INSTEAD REALLOCATED TO DO THIS TYPE OF BAND-AID EMERGENCY WORK. MANY OF THE STREETS ON THE BOND LIST LOOK EXACTLY LIKE THIS. ONE OF THE MEASURES WE USE TO EVALUATE ROADS TRANSLATES THE TYPES OF SURFACE CHARACTERISTICS YOU SEE BEFORE YOU IN THIS PICTURE INTO A SURFACE DISTRESS INDEX, ANOTHER MEASURE WE USE IS THE RIDE COMFORT INDEX. BOTH OF THESE MEASURES HAVE BEEN CONVERTED TO OUR PAVEMENT INFORMATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM BY THE SYSTEM INTO

A PAVEMENT QUALITY INDEX. AND FROM THAT WE RANK OUR STREET SEGMENTS INTO DIFFERENT CONDITIONS. OF COURSE, WE ALSO USE OTHER FACTORS IN OUR RANKING CRITERIA SUCH AS COST, GEOGRAPHY AND THE AVERAGE DAILY TRAFFIC TO DO THE FINAL RANKING. AND THIS IS THE SAME CRITERIA THAT WE'LL BE BRINGING FORWARD TO THE BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE FOR SELECTING PROJECTS. BASED ON OUR PROJECTED NEEDS, WE'RE RECOMMENDING THE INCLUSION OF \$85 MILLION IN THE 2006 BOND FOR STREET RECONSTRUCTION. \$85 MILLION WILL ALLOW US TO RECONSTRUCT ABOUT 129 MILES OF ROADS. WILL ALMOST HALF OF THOSE BEING RESIDENTIAL STREETS. NOW, OVER THE PAST FEW YEARS WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO MAKE GOOD HEADWAY IN REPAIRING OUR ARTERIALS AND COLLECTORS; HOWEVER, WE'VE NOT ADDRESSED OUR RESIDENTIAL STREETS. MANY OF THE RESIDENTIAL STREETS IN THE CITY HAVE HAD LITTLE ATTENTION SINCE THEY WERE ORIGINALLY BUILT IN THE 1950'S. WE'LL ALSO BE ADDRESSING SEVERAL HIGH PRIORITY ALLEYS, BRIDGES AND CULVERT PROJECTS. AND THE NOTE AT THE BOTTOM OF THIS SLIDE IS PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT. UNDER THE A.D.A., WHENEVER WE CONSTRUCT A SEGMENT OF A ROADWAY, WE'RE REQUIRED TO UPGRADE IT TO A.D.A. STANDARDS BY INSTALLING NEW SIDEWALKS AND RAMPS, SO WE'LL ALWAYS BE DOING THAT AS WE CONSTRUCT THESE ROADS. AS PART OF THE \$85 MILLION, WE'LL ALSO BE INCLUDING FUNDING FOR NEW SIDEWALKS AND RAMPS AS WELL AS BIKEWAYS. AND AS JOE PANTALION MENTIONED EARLIER, WE ALSO FOR THE FIRST TIME WILL BE INCLUDING REPLACEMENT OF DETERIORATED STORM SEWER SYSTEMS. SO BY TAKING THIS COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH TO OUR INFRASTRUCTURE AND THE RIGHT-OF-WAY, WE CAN ACHIEVE COST EFFICIENCIES AND ALSO HAVE LESS IMPACT ON THE CITIZENS. THE NEXT GRAPH SHOWS HOW \$85 MILLION FOR STREET RECONSTRUCTION WILL IMPACT THE CONDITION OF THE STREET NETWORK. AS YOU CAN SEE, WITH THIS LEVEL OF INVESTMENT, THE OVERRULE TREATMENT WILL REMAIN FAIRLY STEADY, HOWEVER IT DOES DID HE GRADE SLIGHTLY OVER THE SIX-YEAR PERIOD. AND NOW I'D LIKE TO MOVE ON TO TRAFFIC SIGNALS. WE CURRENTLY HAVE 831 SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS IN THE CITY'S TRANSPORTATION NETWORK. ONLY 590 OF THESE

ARE CONNECTED TO THE CITY'S STATE OF THE HEART TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT CENTER. HAVING AN INTERSECTION TIED INTO THE CENTER ALLOWS US TO REMOTELY MANAGE TRAFFIC SITUATIONS. WE CAN ALSO RESPOND TO SIGNAL MALFUNCTIONS AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE TO REDUCE TRAFFIC DELAYS, AND IT ALLOWS US TO IMPLEMENT REVISED SIGNAL TIMING QUICKLY TO ADDRESS CHANGES IN TRAFFIC PATTERNS. BEFORE INSTALLING A NEW TRAFFIC SIGNAL, MINIMUM CRITERIA ESTABLISHED BY THE STATE OF TEXAS MUST BE SATISFIED. THOSE CRITERIA ARE BASED ON TRAFFIC VOLUMES, AVERAGE DELAYS, PEDESTRIAN ACTIVITY AND ACCIDENT HISTORY. WE'RE RECOMMENDING EIGHT MILLION DOLLARS FOR TRAFFIC SIGNALS. THIS WILL ALLOW US TO COMPLETE THE CONNECTION OF THE SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS TO THE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT CENTER. IT WILL ALSO PROVIDE THE FUNDING WE NEED TO INSTALL 15 NEW SIGNALS THAT ARE ADDED EACH YEAR AS THE CITY CONTINUES TO GROW. AND WE'LL DO SOME UPGRADES ON THE SIGNALS AT SEVERAL INTERSECTIONS. AND NOW I'D LIKE TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT SIDEWALKS AND RAMPS. FOR THE PAST FEW YEARS WE'VE HAD A VERY AGGRESSIVE PROGRAM TO CONSTRUCT NEW SIDEWALKS AND CURB RAMPS. OVER THE LAST SEVEN YEARS WE'VE CONSTRUCTED OVER 25 MILLION DOLLARS' WORTH OF NEW RAMPS AND SIDEWALKS. NEXT YEAR AN ADDITIONAL FIVE MILLION DOLLARS WILL BE APPROPRIATED FROM THE 2000 BOND PROGRAM FOR MORE NEW SIDEWALKS AND RAMPS. HOWEVER, WE HAVE NOT ALLOCATED ANY FUNDING TO FIX DETERIORATED, EXISTING SIDEWALKS, RAMPS AND CURBS AND GUTTERS. THROUGH THE PEDESTRIAN MASTER PLAN INITIATIVE WE'LL BE DEVELOPING A GRADING AND PRIORITIZATION SYSTEM FOR EXISTING SIDEWALKS AND RAMPS THAT REQUIRE PLACEMENT AND ON THE SLIDE YOU CAN SEE THE DIFFERENT TYPES OF CRITERIA WE'LL BE USING IN OUR RANKING SYSTEM. OUR RECOMMENDATION, WHICH INCLUDES \$8.1 MILLION FOR SIDEWALKS, RAMPS AND CURB AND GUTTER REPAIRS, WILL FOR THE FIRST TIME BEGIN ADDRESSING OUR EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE. THIS BOND WILL ALLOW US TO MAKE THOSE REPAIRS IN A MORE COMPREHENSIVE RATHER THAN AN EMERGENCY AND PIECEMEAL MANNER. AND AS I MENTIONED EARLIER, WE'VE MADE A SIGNIFICANT INVESTMENT IN NEW SIDEWALKS AND

A.D.A. RAMPS OVER THE PAST FEW YEARS. WE'VE DONE THIS USING A COMBINATION OF VARIOUS SOURCES OF FUNDING. FOR THE 2006 BOND PROGRAM; HOWEVER, WE NEED TO BRING OUR OLDER, EXISTING PEDESTRIAN INFRASTRUCTURE UP TO PAR. THE LAST CATEGORY I'LL COVER IS THE BIKE LANE NETWORKS. THE CITY'S BIKE PLAN IDENTIFIES EVERY 600 MILES OF BIKE ROUTES WITHIN THE CITY. TO DATE LESS THAN 15% OF THE BIKE PLAN HAS BEEN IMPLEMENTED; HOWEVER, WE HAVE FUNDING IDENTIFIED FOR SEVERAL PROJECTS THAT WILL SIGNIFICANTLY IMPROVE BICYCLE MOBILITY. WE STILL HAVE \$10 MILLION FROM THE 2000 BONDS, ALONG WITH \$8.6 MILLION FROM QUARTER CENT AND STATE AND FEDERAL GRANTS. WE ARE RECOMMENDING AN ADDITIONAL \$2 MILLION BE INCLUDED IN THE 2006 BOND PROGRAM TO ALLOW US TO SUPPLEMENT THE EXISTING FUNDING THAT WE DO HAVE FOR BIKE FACILITIES. AND MY FINAL SLIDE SHOWS -- SUMMARIZES OUR RECOMMENDATION FROM THE -- FOR THE 2006 BOND. IT ALSO PROVIDES YOU WITH OTHER INFORMATION ABOUT OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING FOR TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS. THE FIRST COLUMN SHOWS HOW WE WOULD BREAK DOWN THE 2006 BOND, STARTING WITH \$85 MILLION FOR STREET RECONSTRUCTION. THE NEXT THREE COLUMNS SHOW FUNDING AMOUNTS THAT EITHER HAVE NOT YET BEEN APPROPRIATED OR ENCUMBERED. YOU CAN SEE THAT THERE'S STILL QUITE A BIT OF FUNDING REMAINING FOR NEW STREET IMPROVEMENTS IN THE VARIOUS FUNDING CATEGORIES, AND QUITE A BIT OF MONEY LEFT FOR BIKE WAYS, HOWEVER, IN THE AREA STREET RECONSTRUCTION AND OTHER CATEGORIES, LITTLE REMAINS. AND WHAT DOES REMAIN SHOULD BE UNDER CONTRACT WITHIN THE NEXT ONE OR TWO YEARS. IN SUMMARY, MY TOTAL RECOMMENDATION FOR TRANSPORTATION BOND IS \$103.1 MILLION. WE RECOGNIZE THAT COUNCIL HAS MANY INTERESTS TO BALANCE IN DECIDING THE FUNDING AMOUNTS TO EACH AREA. WITH THAT IN MIND, WE'VE CAREFULLY CONSIDERED OUR RELIGIOUS. THIS INVESTMENT WILL ALLOW US TO RECONSTRUCT FAILED ROADS THROUGHOUT AUSTIN, COMPLETE THE CONNECTION OF OUR SIGNALS TO THE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT CENTER, REPLACE DETERIORATED SIDEWALKS AND INSTALL NEW BIKEWAYS, ALL WITH THE OBJECTIVE OF PRESERVING OUR

VITAL TRANSPORTATION NETWORK, WHICH IS VALUED AT \$3.6 BILLION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND I'D BE GLAD TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU MIGHT HAVE.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. QUESTIONS OF OUR PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR, COUNCIL? COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLEY.

Dunkerley: ON THE CHART, PAGE 31, WHERE YOU SHOW THE 2006 PROPOSED BONDS AT 103 MILLION. THE TOTAL IN THE FAR RIGHT CORNER, THAT 238 MILLION, THAT WILL BE THE AMOUNT AVAILABLE FROM VARIOUS SOURCES OVER THE NEXT FEW YEARS. IS THAT HOW I READ THAT?

IF YOU TAKE OUT THE 103.1 FOR THE 2006 BOND. NOW, IF YOU LOOK AT THE SECOND TO THE LAST LINE THAT SAYS STREET INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AND GO ACROSS 93.7 MILLION OR 94 MILLION IS WHAT WE HAVE AVAILABLE FOR NEW STREET IMPROVEMENTS AND INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS.

BUT YES, THE SHORT ANSWER TO THAT IS THAT IF THE BONDS WERE TO PASS, AND WITH THIS RECOMMENDATION, THAT'S THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF MONEY THAT WOULD BE GOING IN TO ALL THE DIFFERENT KINDS OF TRANSPORTATION --

Dunkerley: 238 MILLION. ALL RIGHT. THANKS.

Mayor Wynn: COUNCILMEMBER KIM.

Kim: MS. CREIGHTON, AT THE SAME SLIDE, SLIDE 31, ON THE 2000 BONDS, THAT COLUMN -- ARE THOSE THE FUNDS THAT HAVE NOT BEEN EXPENDED YET?

CORRECT. THEY HAVE NOT BEEN APPROPRIATED.

Kim: CAN THE COUNCIL DECIDE TO -- IF THERE ARE PROJECTS, CAN WE DESIGNATE A HIGHER PRIORITY IN STREET RECONSTRUCTION, CAN WE MOVE THE FUNDS AROUND FROM SAY STREET INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS TO STREET CONSTRUCTION AND DO SOME OF THE PROJECTS THAT MAYBE WE WOULD WANT TO DO IN

2006?

THE 2000 BONDS WE CANNOT USE FOR STREET RECONSTRUCTION. THOSE HAVE TO BE USED FOR CAPACITY IMPROVEMENT TYPE PROJECTS. FOR MOBILITY IMPROVEMENTS.

Kim: SO THEY HAVE TO STAY WITHIN THOSE CATEGORIES?

YES.

Kim: IS THAT BECAUSE OF STATE LAW?

IT'S BECAUSE THE WAY THE BOND WAS WRITTEN.

Kim: OKAY. CAN YOU TELL ME ABOUT HOW THESE PROJECTS AS LAID OUT WOULD HELP WITH TRAFFIC LIGHT SYNCHRONIZATION?

THE 2000 BOND PROJECTS OR THE SIGNAL?

THE 2006.

THE 2006. WELL, IF WE GO BACK TO THE SLIDE ON SIGNALS --

MAYBE 27?

RIGHT. OKAY. CURRENTLY WE HAVE -- THIS \$8 MILLION WILL ALLOW US TO TAKE THE 241 TO CONNECT 241 ADDITIONAL SIGNALS TO THE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT CENTER. AND THEN THAT WAY WE CAN DO THAT SYNCHRONIZATION REMOTELY.

Kim: DO YOU HAVE AN AN IDEA OF HOW MANY MORE MILES OR WHAT MAJOR ARTERIALS THOSE WOULD BE?

THEY'RE SIGNALS THAT ARE PLACED IN SPECIFIC DIFFERENT INTERSECTIONS, AND BY CONNECTING THOSE SIGNALS IT JUST ALLOWS US TO IMPROVE THE OVERALL TRAFFIC FLOW THROUGHOUT THE CITY.

Kim: OKAY. THERE ARE SOME STREETS THAT WE HAVE SIN SYNCHRONIZED, LIKE LAVACA AND GUADALUPE, SIXTH STREET, AND DO WE HAVE A MAP OR CAN WE GET A MAP OF

WHAT WOULD BE THE STREETS THAT WOULD BE SYNCHRONIZED AS A RESULT OF THIS INVESTMENT?

RIGHT. CURRENTLY WE HAVE 831 SIGNALS TOTAL, AND OF THOSE ONLY 590 ARE CONNECTED. BUT I CAN GET YOU A LIST OF WHICH ONES ARE CONNECTED AND WHICH ONES ARE NOT.

BUT WHAT THIS WOULD DO, AND I THINK THIS MIGHT GET TO YOUR QUESTION, IS THIS WOULD CONNECT ALL THE REMAINING SIGNALS TO OUR SYNCHRONIZATION SYSTEM AND ALLOW US THEN TO START APPLYING SYNCHRONIZATION TO EVERY SIGNALIZED INTERSECTION IN THE CITY. SO IT WOULD BE ALL THE INTERSECTIONS WOULD BE SYNCHRONIZED?

YES.

Kim: FOR ALL THE STREETS IN AUSTIN?

THAT'S THE ISSUE. YOU HAVE 590 OF YOUR 800 PLUS SIGNALS ALREADY CONNECTED. YOU HAVE ABOUT 241 THAT ARE NOT. SO WHAT YOU HAVE IN THIS RECOMMENDATION IS THE MONEY TO TAKE ALL THE REMAINING NON-CONNECTED SIGNALS AND CONNECT THEM ON TO THE SYNCHRONIZATION SYSTEM. HARD TO SAY THAT WORD. >>

Kim: OKAY. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: COUNCILMEMBER MCCRACKEN.

McCracken: WHAT WOULD PEOPLE COMPLAIN ABOUT THEN? [ LAUGHTER ]

THEY'LL ARGUE ABOUT WHETHER THEY'RE REALLY SYNCHRONIZED.

WE CAN STILL TALK ABOUT CAPACITY.

Mayor Wynn: COUNCILMEMBER LEFFINGWELL.

Leffingwell: JUST SOME REAL BASIC QUESTIONS HERE. THIS -- ON PAGE 31. IS THIS EXPENDITURES OVER THE LIFE OF THE

BOND PACKAGE? IS THIS WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT? FOR EXAMPLE, 238.1 MILLION IN SIX YEARS? AM I UNDERSTANDING THAT?

THE 2006 BOND AMOUNT OF 103.1 MILLION WOULD BE EXPENDED OVER THE SIX YEAR PERIOD. THE REMAINING FUNDING SHOULD BE EXPENDED OVER THE NEXT FEW YEARS.

Leffingwell: YEAH, BUT 238.1 MILLION WOULD BE SPENT SOMETIME IN THE NEXT SIX YEARS?

RIGHT.

Leffingwell: THE 46.1 MILLION QUARTER CENT MONEY, THAT'S I GUESS FROM CAP METRO?

CORRECT.

Leffingwell: IS NEXT YEAR THE LAST YEAR FOR THAT? IS THAT 46.1 MILLION IN 2007?

THAT'S THE REMAINING MONEY THAT WE HAVE, THAT'S CORRECT.

Leffingwell: SO THAT SOURCE IS GOING TO DRY UP, IS THAT CORRECT? THAT'S ALL GOING TO COMMUTER RAIL.

THAT'S RIGHT.

Leffingwell: OKAY. I GOT KIND OF AN OFF THE WALL QUESTION ON TRAFFIC SIGNALS.

YOU HAVE A PET SIGNAL THAT YOU WANT TO TALK ABOUT?

Leffingwell: YEAH. I READ A LITTLE BIT ABOUT TELEVISION CONTROL TRAFFIC SIGNALS. WHICH I UNDERSTAND THEY'RE USING IN HOUSTON NOW. IN OTHER WORDS, A SMALL TELEVISION CAMERA ON THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL UNIT WHICH IN EFFECT WOULD LOOK IN BOTH DIRECTIONS AND WOULD NOT TURN THE LIGHT RED ON A STREAM OF TRAFFIC, SAY, GOING EAST-WEST, WHEN THERE WAS NOBODY GOING NORTH-

SOUTH. HAS YOUR OFFICE EVALUATED THAT?

THEY HAVE THE SAME SYSTEM THAT WE HAVE. THEY CAME TO US AND LOOKED AT OUR SYSTEM, AND THEY EMULATED IT.

Leffingwell: WELL, THE TELEVISION CONTROLLED CAMERAS ON INDIVIDUAL UNITS?

WE HAVE SOME OF THOSE, YES.

Leffingwell: OKAY. I DIDN'T KNOW THAT YOU DID. SOMEONE SENT IT TO ME, SO I TOLD YOU IT WAS AN OFF THE WALL QUESTION. THANKS.

I REALLY DO THINK -- MAYBE ONE THING WE SHOULD DO IS BRING BACK AT SOME POINT, WALK YOU BACK THROUGH -- I DON'T THINK PEOPLE ACTUALLY DO UNDERSTAND THE AMOUNT OF INVESTMENT THAT HAS BEEN MADE IN THE SYNCHRONIZATION SYSTEM HERE. IT'S VERY, VERY SOPHISTICATED. IT DOES VOLUME CAMERAIZED INTERSECTIONS. WE HAVE A VERY SOPHISTICATED -- I THINK IN OUR LAST PACKAGE IT WAS OVER \$26 MILLION WAS INVESTED IN THE SYSTEM. SO MAYBE WHAT WE WILL DO IS PUT ANOTHER SUMMARY TOGETHER FOR EVERYONE TO TAKE A LOOK AT IT AGAIN.

Leffingwell: I APPRECIATE THAT. I KNOW YOU DID DO A BRIEFING ON IT, BUT IT WAS BEFORE I WAS ON THE COUNCIL. I WOULD APPRECIATE THAT.

Mayor Wynn: FURTHER QUESTIONS, COMMENTS?  
COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ.

Alvarez: THANKS, MAYOR. I THINK KIND OF A FOLLOW-UP TO COUNCILMEMBER KIM'S QUESTION ABOUT THAT TABLE LISTED ON PAGE 31 AND THE 2000 BONDS, THE STREET AND INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT THAT LISTS 68.8 BILLION -- 62.8 MILLION ON THERE. I BELIEVE I ASKED A QUESTION ON WHAT THOSE FUNDS COULD BE USED FOR AND IF THERE WERE SOME LIMITATIONS, WHICH WHAT THE BASIS FOR THOSE LIMITATIONS. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU COULD ON GO

INTO THAT A LITTLE MORE.

THEY'RE REALLY FOR MOBILITY AND CAPACITY IMPROVEMENT TYPE PROJECTS. THEY'RE NOT FOR STREET RECONSTRUCTION. THAT'S THE MAIN DISTINCTION.

THE BALLOT LANGUAGE THAT WAS PASSED BY THE VOTERS HAD THE FIRST PRIORITY TO BE THE PURCHASE OF RIGHT-OF-WAY. IF YOU REMEMBER THE TIME FRAME WHEN WE PASSED THESE BONDS, IT WAS WHEN THE LARGE MAJOR HIGHWAY PROJECTS WERE COMING THROUGH AND ALL THE JURISDICTIONS WERE LOOKING FOR THEIR MONEY TOWARDS THEIR PERCENT OR OBLIGATION ON RIGHT-OF-WAY PURCHASE. SO THE VERY FIRST BIG CHUNK OR SLUG OF THIS MONEY WENT INTO THE PURCHASE OF RIGHT-OF-WAY. THEN THE REMAINING MONEY REALLY WENT INTO THREE DIFFERENT CATEGORIES. THERE WAS SOME MONEY THAT WAS DEDICATED FOR SIDEWALKS, SOME FOR BIKEWAYS AND THE REMAINDER WAS ALL HAD TO GO INTO SOMETHING THAT IMPROVED THE CAPACITY OF THE ROADWAY. SO THAT WOULD THEN NOT ALLOW US TO DO IT FOR STRAIGHT RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT. IT HAS TO BE A CAPACITY IMPROVING PROJECT.

AND WE DO HAVE A NUMBER OF PROJECTS THAT WE'VE ALLOCATED FOR THAT FUNDING THAT ARE UNDER DESIGN AND IN VARIOUS STAGES OF THAT DESIGN. TSM INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AND ALSO SOME WIDENING PROJECTS AND ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS.

SO ADDING A LANE, ADDING A TURN LANE, BUILDING A NEW ROAD, ALL OF THOSE WOULD BE CAPACITY IMPROVING.

Alvarez: BUT THAT WOULD INCLUDE TSM?

YES. AND WE HAVE A NUMBER OF INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS THAT WE HAVE PROGRAMMED FOR THAT FUNDING.

Alvarez: DID WE GET A RESPONSE TO THAT QUESTION OR ARE WE GOING TO? I'M REALLY LOOKING FOR THE SPECIFIC LANGUAGE THAT SAYS THIS IS ALL -- THIS IS THE ONLY

THING THESE FUNDS CAN BE USED FOR.

ABSOLUTELY. GREG HAS BEEN WORKING WITH THE ATTORNEYS TO GET A SPECIFIC DEFINITION OF IT AND HE CAN SPEAK TO THAT.

COUNCILMEMBER, YES, WE'RE ACTUALLY FINALIZING YOUR QUESTION. THERE WAS ONE OUTSTANDING IF WE COULD USE THE 2000 BOND MONEY FOR TRAFFIC SIGNALS, AND WE HAVE CONFIRMED THAT WE CAN. SO WE'RE JUST GOING TO FINALIZE THAT QUESTION. YOUR QUESTION WAS SPECIFICALLY COULD WE USE IT FOR GREAT STREETS, FOR INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS, FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY MATCHES, FOR STREET IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ANSWER IS YES. BUT WE CAN NOT USE IT AS SONDRÁ AND THE CITY MANAGER MENTIONED, WE CANNOT DO THAT. WE CANNOT USE THE FUNDS FOR STREET RECONSTRUCTION.

MY QUESTION --

Alvarez: MY QUESTION WAS IF YOU LOOK AT -- I THINK IT WAS PREVIOUS POWERPOINT WHERE IT SHOWED WHAT RECOMMENDED BY THE BOND ADVISORY COMMITTEE, AND IT WAS FIVE OR SIX CATEGORIES. AND MY QUESTION WAS CAN ANY OF THESE FUNDS BE USED TO FUND SOME OF THOSE ACTIVITIES. AND THAT WAS THE BASIS FOR MY QUESTION, BUT I'M JUST -- I REALLY WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IF THE ANSWER IS YES, THAT'S TR GREAT, IF IT'S NOT, THEN WHAT IS THE BASIS FOR THAT.

THE GENERAL ANSWER TO THAT IS YES, EXCEPT FOR STREET RECONSTRUCTION.

I THINK THE CONCEPT BEING THAT SIGNALIZATION -- SYNCHRONIZATION PROJECTS HELP WITH THE FLOW OF TRAFFIC AND HENCE CAN HELP WITH CAPACITY IMPROVEMENTS, AND I THINK THAT'S PROBABLY WHY OUR INTERPRETATION ALLOWS IT THERE.

Alvarez: OKAY, THANK YOU.

ALL RIGHT. SO I THINK WE CAN PROBABLY GO TO THIS NEXT SLIDE AND TRY TO WRAP UP THE DISCUSSION HERE. SO

COUNCIL, WHAT YOU CAN SEE IS ON, GOING BACK REALLY RIGHT WHERE WE BEGAN THE PRESENTATION, WE HAVE DIVIDED THE DISCUSSION UP INTO TWO PRIMARY AREAS. FIRST STARTING WITH INVESTING IN OUR EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE IN THREE DIFFERENT CATEGORIES AND TODAY YOU'VE HEARD ABOUT TWO OF THOSE, DRAINAGE AND TRANSPORTATION. AND FOLLOWING UP WITH THE SECOND CATEGORY OF INVESTING IN OUR FUTURE, NEW FACILITIES, THE DISCUSSION OF THE NEW CENTRAL LIBRARY, AFFORDABLE HOUSING, OPEN SPACE, ALL THE THINGS THAT TALK ABOUT WHAT WE'RE GOING TO BE PUTTING NEW ON THE TABLE FOR BONDS. THE GOAL WAS TO TRY TO NARROW THE DOLLAR AMOUNT DOWN TO SOMETHING BETWEEN ABOUT FIVE OR 530 MILLION. AND SO IF YOU CAN SEE WE'RE BEGINNING TO TRY TO FILL A SMALLER BUCKET, AND THE FIRST TWO DOLLAR AMOUNTS ON OUR RECOMMENDATION WILL BE 95 MILLION FOR DRAINAGE AND 103.1 MILLION FOR TRANSPORTATION. THAT'S 27.1 MILLION LESS THAN WAS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOND ADVISORY COMMITTEE IN DRAINAGE, BUT IT'S 4.2 MILLION MORE THAN WHAT RECOMMENDED IN TRANSPORTATION. AND AS YOU SEE ON THE SLIDE, WE JUST HAVE THE FIRST SORT OF BOTTOM LAYER OF THE BUCKET FILLED AS WE BEGIN MOVING THROUGH THIS DISCUSSION PIECE BY PIECE. THE NEXT PRESENTATION WE'LL BE BRINGING YOU AT THE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE APRIL 6TH, AND IT WILL BE THE LAST SECTION OF THE INVESTING IN OUR EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE. THAT'S FACILITY RENOVATION WHERE WE WILL BE MAKING THE NEXT AND SECOND RECOMMENDATION ON THE NEXT LAYER OF FILLING THAT BUCKET.

Mayor Wynn: QUESTIONS, COMMENTS? COUNCILMEMBER KIM.

Kim: CITY MANAGER, I HAVE A QUESTION BACK TO THE ISSUE OF THE MAINTENANCE OF STREETS,, THE GOAL IS EIGHT PERCENT. WHAT IS THE IDEAL GOAL AND HOW MUCH WOULD THAT COST FOR OUR ONGOING ANNUAL EXPENDITURE? AND CAN YOU GIVE US THE RATIONALE FOR THAT?

SURE. SONDR, YOU'VE BEEN WAITING FOR THIS QUESTION. DIRECTORS ALWAYS LOVE TO HEAR WHAT THE IDEAL QUESTION THAT SAYS WHAT'S THE IDEAL. REMEMBER TO

ADD THE COST TO THE IDEAL. [ LAUGHTER ]

THE IDEAL AMOUNT FOR US TO MAINTAIN ON AN ANNUAL BASIS WOULD BE 10% OF THE NETWORK, TO DO PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE ON THE NETWORK. AND OF COURSE, CURRENTLY BECAUSE THE COSTS HAVE RISEN QUITE DRAMATICALLY OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS FOR MATERIAL COSTS AND THINGS LIKE THAT, WE'RE ONLY ABLE TO MAINTAIN EIGHT PERCENT OF THE NETWORK. AND SO WE HAVE SEEN THE NETWORK DECLINING BECAUSE OF THAT. >>

Kim: SO HOW MUCH ARE WE HAVING TO SPEND MORE IN RECONSTRUCTION BECAUSE WE'RE ONLY DOING EIGHT PERCENT VERSUS 10%? IS THERE LIKE A BACK OF THE ENVELOPE CALCULATION OR HOW DOES ONE DETERMINE THAT?

IF WE CAN GO BACK TO THE CHART WITH THE -- WITH THE BAR CHART THAT SHOWS THE CONDITION ASSESSMENT.

AND WHILE WE'RE DOING THIS, THERE ARE MANY DIFFERENT COMBINATIONS THAT YOU CAN DO, A CERTAIN PERCENT OF PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE AND A CERTAIN PERCENT OF RECONSTRUCTION AND YOU'RE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR WHAT THAT IDEAL BALANCE IS BETWEEN THE TWO TO TRY TO HOLD YOU. ONE, YOU ALWAYS WANT TO TRY TO AT LEAST HOLD LEVEL AND THEN YOU ARE TRYING TO MAKE A GAIN ON THOSE FAILING ROADS.

IF YOU LOOK AT THIS PARTICULAR CHART, YOU CAN SEE THAT THERE ARE ALMOST 2,000 LANE MILES OF ROADWAYS IN FAIR CONDITION. IF WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH MAINTENANCE MONEY, PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE MONEY TO DEVOTE TO MAINTAINING THOSE, THEY'LL SOON BE SLIDING INTO THE D CATEGORY. TO MAINTAIN -- TO PROVIDE PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE ON A ROAD, IT CAN COST ABOUT 9 OR \$10,000 TO DO A SEAL COAT, ABOUT \$75,000 A LANE MILE TO DO AN OVERLAY. ONCE IT GOES INTO THE POOR CATEGORY, IT'S \$500,000 A LANE MILE. SO THAT'S A VERY DRAMATIC IMPACT. NOW, ONCE IT GOES INTO THE D CATEGORY, THOUGH, THE ONLY REMEDY IS TO RECONSTRUCT THE ROAD, SO YOU HAVE NO OTHER CHOICE. SO IT'S VERY IMPORTANT OF COURSE TO PROVIDE

THE PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE, BUT YOU HAVE TO HAVE A FUNDING MECHANISM TO BE ABLE TO DO THAT AND TO BE ABLE TO KEEP UP WITH THE RISING COSTS. WE HAVEN'T RAISED THE TRANSPORTATION FEE FOR ABOUT FOUR YEARS.

AND THAT'S PART OF WHAT GETS YOU TO THE SLIDE ON 24, WHICH SHOWS WE'RE NOT QUITE MAKING IT THERE, BUT WE'RE CLOSE OF HOLDING YOU AT LEAST LEVEL IN KEEPING THE SATISFACTORY CONDITION. WHERE DOES IT SHOW THAT WE'RE CLOSE? WE HAVE THE RED LINE.

WHAT SHE'S SPEAKING TO IS OUR GOAL IS TO KEEP OUR 70% OF THE NETWORK IN SATISFACTORY CONDITION, SO WE'VE MANAGED TO DO THAT, BUT THERE IS NOT LOSING --

WE'RE NOT LOSING GROUND.

WE'RE NOT LOSING GROUND.

WITH EIGHT% WE'RE NOT LOSING GROUND.

WITH EIGHT PERCENT WE ARE LOSING GROUND.

YOU SEE THE SLIGHT DECLINE IN THE LINE? IT'S NOT QUITE LEVEL, BUT YOU'RE PRETTY CLOSE RIGHT HERE. WHAT YOU'RE NOT REALLY DOING IS GAINING GROUND. YOU'RE NOT MAKING HEADWAY ON CLEARING UP THAT BAR CHART OF TRYING TO MAKE HEADWAY ON THOSE ROADS THAT ARE POOR AND FAILED. ALL THE ROADS WOULD BE AN A, B AND C.

NOT ALL. REMEMBER, IF YOU GO BACK TO THE BAR CHART AGAIN, GO BACK TO 21, YOU'VE ONLY GOT ABOUT THREE-QUARTERS OF YOUR ROAD IN A, B AND C CONDITIONS, AND THAT'S WHAT THAT BAR CHART IS SHOWING YOU YOU'RE HOLDING.

BUT AGAIN, THE SATISFACTORY ROADS CAN BE HANDLED THROUGH PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE AND BY HAVING A STRONG PROGRAM THAT PREVENTS ROADS FROM SLIPPING INTO THE UNSATISFACTORY CATEGORY WHERE THE ONLY REMEDY IS A SIGNIFICANT BOND TO GO OUT AND

RECONSTRUCT THE ROADS THAT ARE COSTING FOUR AND FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS A LANE MILE. BUT ONCE THEY GO INTO THAT UNSATISFACTORY CATEGORY, THERE'S ONLY ONE REMEDY. AS YOU SAW FROM THE OTHER SLIDE, YOU KNOW, THEY LOOK LIKE THIS, A FAILED ROAD. THE ONLY REMEDY IS TO COMPLETELY RECONSTRUCT THE ROAD AND THE OTHER PROBLEM IS WE SPEND A LOT OF OUR PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE RESOURCES JUST GOING AROUND PATCHING POTHOLES TO KEEP IT DRIVABLE. BUT A ROAD LIKE THIS YOU CAN'T GO OUT AND DO PREVENTIVE ACTIVE MAINTENANCE ON, FOR EXAMPLE. YOU COULD DO AN OVERLAY ON THIS ROAD, BUT WITHIN A YEAR IT WOULD BE ALL CRACKED AND FALLING TO PIECES AGAIN. SO IT'S BEYOND THE POINT OF BEING ABLE TO DO PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE. IF YOU DON'T GO AHEAD AND RESHINGLE YOUR ROOF AND YOU JUST LET THE WATER START LEAKING IN, EVENTUALLY THE WHOLE STRUCTURE DID HE GRADES AND DECLINES AND HAVE YOU TO REPLACE THE ENTIRE ROOFING STRUCTURE, WHICH IS VERY EXPENSIVE.

AND I GUESS THAT'S WHAT THE CHALLENGE THE COUNCIL HAS IS WITH OUR LIMITED RESOURCES, MAKE SURE OUR ROADS ARE MAINTAINED SO WE DON'T HAVE TO RECONSTRUCT THEM AND IT WOULD BE MUCH MORE ACCEPTABLE FOR THE TAXPAYERS. AND S.O.S. THAT WHAT WE DEAL WITH YEAR IN AND YEAR OUT, BUT WHAT IS THAT PERCENTAGE AND WHAT DOES IT GET US AND WHAT ARE WE NOT GETTING AS A RESULT OF NOT GOING TO THE FULL 10% OR EVEN PUTTING EVERYTHING INTO EITHER AN EXCELLENT, GOOD OR FAIR CATEGORY.

THAT'S IT, EXACTLY. AND 10% -- THE SHORT ANSWER IS 10% IS THE STANDARD THAT YOU TRY TO HOLD TO. AND OVER THE YEARS WE HAVE DROPPED BACK TO ABOUT EIGHT PERCENT. AND THAT SHOWS -- THAT GETS YOU TO THAT LINE WHERE WE'RE JUST BARELY HOLDING ON AND NOT MAKING A LOT OF HEADWAY.

IT TO GET FROM EIGHT TO 10 PERCENT YOU WOULD NEED ABOUT FIVEMILLION MORE DOLLARS A YEAR.

FIVE MILLION MORE A YEAR?

YES.

Kim: THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: FURTHER COMMENTS, QUESTIONS?  
COUNCILMEMBER LEFFINGWELL.

Leffingwell: ALL THIS IN THESE TWO BRIEFINGS TODAY IS  
BASED ON A TOTAL PACKAGE OF 500 TO 530 MILLION,  
CORRECT?

YES. AT THE END OF THE DAY WHERE WE HOPE TO HAVE  
YOU WHEN THE BUCKET IS ALL FULL IS SOMEWHERE  
BETWEEN 5 AND 5:30.

SO JUST WHEN THE INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE, THIS  
CHART ON PAGE 5, IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO ME FROM AN  
OVERVIEW PERSPECTIVE POINT OF VIEW TO HAVE A THIRD  
COLUMN IN THERE SHOWING WHAT WE'RE WORKING WITH  
RIGHT NOW, JUST COMPARISON FIGURES.

AND ACTUALLY, WE HAVE ONE AND WE'LL START ADDING IT  
IN FOR YOU AND BRINGING IT. WE WERE THINKING THE SAME  
THING AS WE --

Mayor Wynn: FURTHER QUESTIONS, COMMENTS? GREG?  
THANK YOU, MAYOR. THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH. WORKING  
OUR WAY TOWARDS THE COUNCIL RECOMMENDATION.

COUNCILMEMBER LEFFINGWELL, THIS IS THE CHART RIGHT  
HERE SHOWING YOU THE THREE COLUMNS AND WE WILL  
GET THAT OUT TO YOU SO YOU CAN SEE THAT.

WE'LL SEND THIS OUT TO YOU ALL AND START UPDATE  
WILLING IT WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS.

AS WE WORK TOWARDS IT.

Mayor Wynn: SO COUNCIL, THAT TAKES US MUCH BE LATEDLY  
TO OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING OF THE AUSTIN  
HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION. AT THIS TIME WE'LL  
RECESS THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL MEETING AND CALL TO  
ORDER THIS MEETING OF THE AHFC BOARD. WELCOME MR.

HILGERS.

THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT. I HAVE THREE ITEMS FOR YOU TODAY THE FIRST TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 12TH, 2006 BOARD MEETING:

Mayor Wynn: MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MCCRACKEN TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 12TH MEETING. ALL IN FAVOR? OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF SIX TO ZERO WITH BOARD MEMBER LEFFINGWELL OFF INDICT AS.

THANK YOU. BOARD MEMBERS, WE'RE GLAD TO BRING TO YOU TODAY TWO ACTION ITEMS. THE FIRST OF WHICH IS TO APPROVE THE NEGOTIATION AND EXECUTION OF A RENTAL HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM LOAN TO MNF HOUSING 6 INCORPORATED IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$180,000 FOR THE ACQUISITION OF TWO MULTI-FAMILY RENTAL PROPERTIES COMPRISING A TOTAL OF 15 EFFICIENCY UNITS FOR LOW INCOME PERSONS WITH MENTAL DISABILITIES AT 6607 AND 7102 GUADALUPE STREET, SUBJECT TO ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AND COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE FEDERAL REGULATIONS, INCLUDING THE CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS TITLE 24, SECTION 85.40 PERFORMANCE GOALS. THE AUSTIN TRAVIS COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH/MENTAL RETARDATION CENTER RECENTLY ESTABLISHED THE 501(C)3 NONPROFIT CORPORATION CALLED NMF HOUSING 6 INCORPORATED. IT WAS CREATED IN ORDER TO MEET U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR A GRANT OF APPROXIMATELY 1.1 MILLION FOR THE ACQUISITION AND REHABILITATION OF THE TWO PROPERTIES. BOTH PROPERTIES SERVE PERSONS WITH CHRONIC MENTAL ILLNESS, WITH YEARLY INCOMES OF NO MORE THAN 50% OF AREA MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME, WHICH IS CURRENTLY \$24,900 FOR A ONE PERSON HOUSEHOLD. THIS PROJECT IS BOTH SUPPORTIVE OF AND CONSISTENT AND CONGRUENT WITH THE MAYOR'S MENTAL HEALTH TASKFORCE AND THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THAT TASKFORCE TO IMPROVE HOUSING IN THESE SPECIAL NEEDS HOUSING. THE PROPERTIES ARE CURRENTLY OWNED AND OPERATED BY AUSTIN TRAVIS COUNTY MHMR AND ARE IN CRITICAL NEED OF RENOVATION DUE TO MANY YEARS OF

USE AND LIMITED AVAILABLE RESOURCES FOR THE MAJOR REPAIRS. AND OUR RHDA PROGRAM, THE FUNDS IN THAT PROGRAM WILL SERVE AS MATCHING FUNDS THAT WILL HELP TO COMPLETE THE NECESSARY FUND FOG THIS PROJECT. THE H.U.D. GRANT THAT MHMR RECEIVED INCLUDES MONTHLY RENT SUBSIDIES FOR A MINIMUM OF FIVE YEARS THAT ARE AVAILABLE FOR UP TO 40 YEARS THROUGH RENEWALS. RESIDENTS WILL PAY NO MORE THAN 30% OF THEIR ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME FOR RENT AND UTILITIES WITH H.U.D. RENT SUBSIDIES PAYING THE DIFFERENCE TO PAY OPERATING COSTS. THE LOAN WILL BE FOR 10 YEARS AT ZERO% INTEREST. REPAYMENT OF THE LOAN WILL BE DEFERRED ON YEARLY BASIS WITH PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST FORGIVEN AT THE END OF THE LOAN TERM CONTI JENT UPON COMPLIANCE WITH THE LOAN AGREEMENT. THE LOAN IS APPLICABLE TO ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENTS AND FEDERAL REGULATIONS AND PERFORMANCE GOALS. SO FOR A 1.3-MILLION-DOLLAR PROJECT, WE'RE INVESTING \$180,000 AND WE'RE ACQUIRING 15, AND WE WILL HAVE THEN 15 UNITS OF AFFORDABLE RENTAL HOUSING FOR PERSONS WITH MENTAL DISABILITIES. AND YEARLY INCOMES OF LESS THAN 50% OF MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME. REPRESENTATIVES OF NMF 6, AUSTIN TRAVIS COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL RETARDATION ARE HERE, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, AND WE'RE PROUD TO BRING THIS PARTNERSHIP TO YOU FOR YOUR APPROVAL.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. HILGERS. QUESTIONS OF STAFF, BOARD MEMBERS? I WANT TO PERSONALLY THANK YOU ALL FOR DELIVERING ON SUCH DRAMATICALLY NEEDED PROPERTIES. IF NO QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS, I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION ON AHFC ITEM NUMBER 2. MOTION MADE BY BOARD MEMBER DUNKERLEY, SECONDED BY BOARD MEMBER MCCRACKEN TO APPROVE THIS ITEM AS POSTED AND PRESENTED BY MR. HILGERS. FURTHER COMMENTS? HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE. OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF SEVEN TO ZERO.

AHFC ITEM NUMBER 3, WE'RE AGAIN EQUALLY EXCITED ABOUT THIS PROJECT AS WELL WITH ANOTHER ONE OF OUR GREAT PARTNERS. WE'RE BRINGING BEFORE YOU THE ITEM

TO APPROVE THE NEGOTIATION AND EXECUTION OF A RENTAL HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM LOAN TO YOUTH AND FAMILY ALLIANCE INCORPORATED, DOING BUSINESS AS LIFE WORKS, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$300,000 TO DEVELOP SIX-UNIT 12-BED TRANSITIONAL HOUSING FACILITY FOR LOW INCOME HOMELESS YOUTH AND ADULTS LOCATED AT 3710 SOUTH SECOND STREET. LIFE WORKS IS A NONPROFIT 501(C)3 ORGANIZATION WHOSE SERVICES INCLUDE EMERGENCY SHELTER AND TRANSITIONAL HOUSING FOR SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FOR LOW INCOME HOMELESS YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS, PREGNANT YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS WITH CHILDREN, AND YOUTH TRANSITIONING TO INDEPENDENT LIVING FROM FOSTER CARE. THIS LOAN WILL ENABLE LIFE WORKS TO EXPAND ITS TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM BY RENOVATING ITS CURRENT EMERGENCY SHELTER, MEASURING APPROXIMATELY 3800 SQUARE FEET IN SIZE AT 3710 SOUTH SECOND STREET INTO A SIX-UNIT 12-BED TRANSITIONAL HOUSING FACILITY. LIFE WORKS CURRENTLY SERVES APPROXIMATELY 40 INDIVIDUALS ANNUALLY THROUGH ITS TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM AND UPON COMPLETION OF THE PROPOSED FACILITY, THE TRANSITIONAL PROGRAM IS ANTICIPATED TO SERVE AN ADDITIONAL 20 INDIVIDUALS PER YEAR, MANY OF WHOM WHO WILL BE LOW INCOME PREGNANT YOUTH OR HOMELESS YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS WITH CHILDREN. AREA INCOMES OF RESIDENTS IN THE FACILITY WILL NOT EXCEED 50% OF AUSTIN'S MEDIAN INCOME. AND THE MAJORITY OF RESIDENTS WILL HAVE YEARLY INCOMES OF NO MORE THAN 30% OF AUSTIN'S MFI, WHICH IS AT \$14,900 FOR A ONE PERSON HOUSEHOLD. RENTS WILL BE DETERMINED ON A SLIDING SCALE, NOT TO EXCEED 30% OF THE INDIVIDUAL'S MONTHLY INCOME. IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE TRANSITIONAL HOUSING, LIFE WORKS WILL RELOCATE AND EXPAND ITS CURRENT 18-BED EMERGENCY SHELTER TO AN ADJACENT PROPERTY NOW BEING USED AS ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES. THE PROPOSED RENOVATION ALSO INCLUDES THE CONSTRUCTION OF A CENTRAL KITCHEN AND DINING AREA WHICH WILL JOIN AND SERVE BOTH FACILITIES. THIS PROPOSED LOAN WILL BE FOR A TERM OF 20 YEARS AT ZERO% INTEREST. REPAYMENT OF THE LOAN WILL BE DEFERRED ON A YEARLY BASIS WITH

PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST FORGIVEN AT THE END OF THE THE LOAN TERM CONTINGENT UPON THE COMPLIANCE WITH THE LOAN AGREEMENT. ON THIS PROJECT, AGAIN, \$300,000 FOR A PROJECT THAT'S APPROXIMATELY \$600,000. REPRESENTATIVES OF LIFE WORKS, INCLUDING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, SUSAN MCDOWELL IS HERE. THIS IS A PROJECT I WOULD ALSO JUST MENTION THAT HAS BEEN IN THE WORKS AND THEY HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH US TO PLAN ITS USE OF THESE DOLLARS IN THE MOST EFFICIENT WAY POSSIBLE WITH OUR STAFF FOR AWHILE. AND SO WE'RE PROUD TO BRING THIS ITEM WITH THIS GREAT NONPROFIT THAT DOES GREAT WORK IN THIS COMMUNITY TO YOU FOR YOUR APPROVAL.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. HILGERS. QUESTIONS OF STAFF? COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ.

Alvarez: THANKS, MAYOR. THANKS, MR. HILL GERS AND ALL OF OUR STAFF FOR HELPING TO BRING THIS FORWARD AS WELL AS THANKS TO LIFE WORKS FOR THE GREAT WORK THAT THEY DO, BUT I THINK THERE'S A LOT ACTUALLY HAPPENING WITH THIS PARTICULAR ACTION IN TERMS OF WHAT LIFE WORKS CAN ACCOMPLISH. OBVIOUSLY THEY MENTIONED THAT THE SHELTER IS GOING TO BE EXPANDED AT THE NEW LOCATION, THEY'LL HAVE THE ABILITY TO SERVE MORE TEENS AND YOUNG ADULTS, BUT IF I UNDERSTAND IT CORRECTLY, THE CURRENT SERVICES ARE ONLY TARGETING TEENS AND YOUNG ADULTS WITHOUT CHILDREN AND SO THEN THEY'RE ACTUALLY PROPOSING THE NEW FACILITY TO SERVE PREGNANT YOUTH AND THOSE WITH YOUNG CHILDREN, SO THAT OBVIOUSLY IS AN ADDED SERVICE AND BENEFIT TO OUR COMMUNITY. I DID SEE SUSAN OUT THERE. I'M GOING TO CALL HER UP TO TALK A LITTLE BIT BECAUSE THERE'S ANOTHER PART OF THE PUZZLE HERE THAT IS ALLOWING THIS TO OCCUR, WHICH IS THEY'RE GREAT NEW -- I THINK IT'S ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING THAT'S ALSO UNDER CONSTRUCTION, AND IF YOU'VE DRIVEN SOUTH ON SOUTH FIRST AS YOU GET TOWARDS BEN WHITE, RIGHT NEXT DOOR TO SETON, YOU'LL SEE THAT THERE'S A BUILDING, OFFICE BUILDING BEING CONSTRUCTED. AND SO PART OF WHAT THAT IS ALLOWING IS FOR THEM TO RELOCATE THEIR ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES SO THAT THIS CAN ACTUALLY HAPPEN AS WELL.

SO I DON'T KNOW IF YOU WANT TO TAKE THE TIME TO TALK ABOUT HOW THAT CAME TO PASS AND I THINK SETON WAS OBVIOUSLY A VERY IMPORTANT PARTNER IN THAT IN TERMS OF PROVIDING THE LAND AT NO COST OR LITTLE COST. ANYWAY, MAYBE YOU'RE BEST TO EXPLAIN THAT. BUT IT IS A VERY EXCITING PROJECT, ALL THREE ELEMENTS OBVIOUSLY I THINK ARE GOING TO BE BENEFICIAL FOR OUR COMMUNITY. I JUST WANTED TO GIVE YOU AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAYBE PLUG ALL THOSE IMPORTANT SUPPORTERS THAT MADE IT HAPPEN. [ONE MOMENT, PLEASE, FOR CHANGE IN CAPTIONERS]

COULDN'T HANG SOMETHING ON THE OUTSIDE OF OUR WINDOW, I SAID THE LAST FOUR YEARS I HAVE ASKED ABOUT 500 PEOPLE TO HELP IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF THIS -- OF THIS RESOURCE FOR THE COMMUNITY. THE BOTTOM FLOOR OF THE 14,000 SQUARE FOOT FACILITY WILL HAVE SERVICES THAT INCLUDE YOUTH AND FAMILY COUNSELING, CRISIS COUNSELING, OUR G.E.D. AND LITERACY CENTER, A FIRST OF ITS KIND IN CENTRAL TEXAS TRANSITIONAL CENTER FOR YOUTH WHO ARE AGING OUT OF FOSTER CARE, TEEN PARENT CASE MANAGERS, JOB TRAINERS, A WHOLE SPECTRUM OF SERVICES FOR THAT COMMUNITY. THEN OUR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES WILL BE LOCATED ON THE SECOND FLOOR. WE HAD MANY TREMENDOUS PARTNERS AND -- IN PULLING THIS TOGETHER, INCLUDING SETON WHO GAVE US AN AMAZING DEAL ON THE LAND. LIKE I SAID, THE -- THE MONEY THAT YOU HAVE MADE AVAILABLE TO US HAS HELPED US MEET NUMEROUS CHALLENGE GRANTS, INCLUDING GRANTS FROM THE TOPTFER FAMILY, MICHAEL AND SUSAN DELL FOUNDATION AND [INDISCERNIBLE], SO THIS HAS REALLY HELPED US LEVERAGE A GREAT DEAL OF SUPPORT TO MAKE AN OPPORTUNITY AVAILABLE TO THE COMMUNITY THAT IT'S GOING TO HELP LITERALLY THOUSANDS OF FAMILIES IN CRISIS EVERY YEAR, THANK YOU. I WANT TO HAVE A BIG THANKS TO PAUL AND HIS STAFF, WE HAD TO WORK VERY HARD TO FIGURE OUT EXACTLY HOW WE ARE GOING TO OFFER, OPERATIONALIZE THESE FUNDINGS, MEET ALL OF THE REQUIREMENTS. THEY WORKED TIRELESSLY WITH US, TOO, TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO DO THAT. COUNCILMEMBER THANKS FOR THE OPPORTUNITY.

DISBRATS, YOU ALL KEEP UP THE -- CONGRATULATIONS,  
YOU ALL KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK.

FURTHER QUESTIONS, COMMENTS? IF NOT I'LL ENTERTAIN A  
MOTION.

Alvarez: I MOVE APPROVAL OF THIS ITEM, MAYOR.

Mayor Wynn: MIAMI-DADE BY BOARD MEMBER ALVAREZ,  
SECONDED BY BOARD MEMBER CIM KIM TO APPROVE AHFC  
NUMBER 3. FURTHER COMMENTS? HEARING NONE, ALL  
THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE. MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF 7-0.

THAT'S ALL OF THE BUSINESS.

Mayor YOU. WITH THAT BEING THE CASE AT THIS TIME WE  
STAND ADJOURNED FOR THE AUSTIN HOUSING FINANCE  
CORPORATION, I WILL CALL BACK TO ORDER THIS MEETING  
OF THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL, PRIOR TO GOING TO OUR  
ZONING CONSENT AGENDA, EARLIER IN CLOSED SESSION  
WE TOOK UP TWO -- TWO PERSONNEL ITEMS RELATED TO  
THE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION AND COMPENSATION AND  
BENEFITS FOR BOTH OUR CITY CLERK AND CITY AUDITOR.  
AND WE HAVE POSTED ACTION ITEMS. I BELIEVE THEY ARE  
ITEMS 40 AND 41. AND STAFF WAS KIND ENOUGH TO CLEAN  
UP THE RESOLUTIONS THAT WE HAVE HERE BEFORE US. SO  
WITHOUT ANY -- WITHOUT ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS, I  
WILL -- I WILL ENTERTAIN DISCUSSION OR MOTIONS. NOTING  
THAT THERE'S A REVISED ITEM NO. 40 HERE. RESOLUTION.  
COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ, THANK YOU.

Alvarez: THANKS, MAYOR, THIS IS THE PAY AND BENEFITS  
PACKAGE FOR THE CITY AUDITOR.

Mayor Wynn: YES.

Alvarez: I WOULD MOVE APPROVAL OF THIS ITEM.

Mayor Wynn: MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ.  
SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER OR MAYOR PRO TEM  
THOMAS TO APPROVE ITEM NO. 40, I WILL JUST CONFIRM

WHAT THIS DOES. IT MAINTAINS THE CURRENT SALARY AND COMPENSATION PACKAGE; HOWEVER, IT NOW INCLUDES TWO ADDITIONAL POINTS, ONE IS THE SEVERANCE PACKAGE EQUAL TO SIX MONTHS FOR INVOLUNTARY SEPARATION, AND THEN MIRRORS WHAT WE HAVE DONE RECENTLY FOR THE CITY MANAGER AND ALSO IN THE EVENT OF INVOLUNTARY SEPARATION, FORCED RESIGNATION OR CHANGE IN THE FORM OF GOVERNMENT FOR THE CITY AUDITOR ACHIEVES 23 YEARS OF CREDITABLE SERVICES FOR RETIREMENT SERVICES, THE CITY WILL PURCHASE THOSE SERVICE CREDITS IN AN AMOUNT SUFFICIENT TO BRING THAT TOTAL UP TO THOSE 23 YEARS. FURTHER COMMENTS ON ITEM NO. 40? HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

Wynn: OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF 7-0. THANK YOU ALL. ITEM NO. 41 RELATES TO OUR CITY CLERK.

Thomas: MAYOR, I MAKE A MOTION TO MOVE ON ITEM NO. 41.

Mayor Wynn: MAYOR PRO TEM MOVES APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION ITEM NO. 41, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LEFFINGWELL, JUST TO CONFIRM WHAT THIS WILL REPRESENT, ON THE COMPENSATION ELEMENTS FOR THE CITY CLERK, A -- A 3 AND A HALF PERCENT INCREASE IN BASE SALARY THAT MAKES THE EQUIVALENT OF \$108,680 ANNUALLY. ALSO A ONE-TIME LUMP SUM PAYMENT OF \$1,500 FOR EXCEEDING EXPECTATIONS. AND THE REST REMAINS THE SAME WITH A COUPLE OF MINOR CLEANUP ITEMS RELATED TO -- TO HEALTH BENEFITS AND RETIREMENT. FURTHER COMMENTS? ON THE CITY CLERK'S EVALUATION PERFORMANCE? SO WE HAVE A MOTION AND A SECOND ON THE TABLE TO APPROVE RESOLUTION ITEM NO. 41 RELATED TO THE COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS PACKAGE FOR OUR CITY CLERK. FURTHER COMMENTS? HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

Wynn: OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF 7-0. THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH. SO, COUNCIL, NOW THAT TAKES US TO

OUR 4:00 ZONING HEARINGS AND APPROVAL OF ORDINANCES AND RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS, PERHAPS WE CAN GET THROUGH OUR CONSENT PORTION OF THIS AGENDA, MR. GUERNSEY.

THANK YOU GOES, MAYOR AND COUNCIL. MY NAME IS GREG GUERNSEY WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT. LET ME GUIDE YOU THROUGH OUR 4:00 ORDINANCES AND RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS THAT I CAN OFFER FOR CONSENT. OUR FIRST ITEM IS 53, C14-050137 FOR A PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1109 SOUTH LAMAR. THIS IS FROM A REZONING FROM GENERAL COMMERCIAL SERVICES OR CS DISTRICT ZONING TO COMMERCIAL LIQUOR SALES OR CS 1, CONDITIONAL OVERLAY, COMBINING DISTRICT ZONING. THIS IS READY FOR SECOND AND THIRD READINGS. THERE IS A PRIVATE RESTRICTIVE COVENANT THAT'S BEEN EXECUTED BETWEEN THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND THE PROPERTY OWNER RESTRICTING THE OPERATION TO LIVE MUSIC ONLY BEING INDOORS, AMONG OTHER THINGS. I UNDERSTAND THAT THERE MAY BE A POSTPONEMENT REQUEST BY A COUNCILMEMBER ON THIS ITEM. THE APPLICANT WOULD CERTAINLY NOT OBJECT TO THAT REQUEST. IF THERE IS A POSTPONEMENT REQUEST ON THAT ITEM. MARES COUNCILMEMBER KIM?

Kim: I'M REQUESTING A POSTPONEMENT BECAUSE THERE'S STILL SOME SOUND TESTING THAT NEEDS TO OCCUR AS THERE'S A SMALL BUSINESS NEARBY THAT WOULD BE IMPACTED BY THE LIVE MUSIC THAT WOULD FOLLOW THIS CS 1 ZONING. SO THAT'S SOMETHING THAT THE APPLICANT AGREED TO. THEY HAD A BIT OF A HICK UP IN GETTING THAT - HICCUP IN GETTING THAT ARRANGED, WE ARE STILL WORKING WITH THEM ON THAT.

Gurnsey:: THAT'S A POSTPONEMENT FOR TWO WEEKS ON THAT PARTICULAR ITEM. ITEM NO. 54, CASE C14-05209, THIS IS BIG 4 LOCATED AT 221 RALPH ALBANADO, REZONING REQUEST FROM SINGLE FAMILY STANDARD LOT OR SF 2 DISTRICT ZONING TO LIMITED INDUSTRIAL SERVICES CONDITIONAL OVERLAY DISTRICT ZONING OR LI-CO ZONING. THIS IS READY FOR SECOND AND THIRD READING AS A CONSENT ITEM. ITEM NO. 55 IS C14-050214 FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4603 COMMERCIAL PARK DRIVE.

THIS IS A REZONING REQUEST FROM INTERIM SINGLE FAMILY STANDARD LOT OR INTERIM SF 2 ZONING TO LIMITED INDUSTRIAL SERVICES CONDITIONAL OVERLAY ZONING OR LI-CO ZONING. THIS IS READY FOR CONSENT APPROVAL ON SECOND AND THIRD READINGS. ITEM NO. 56 IS C14-050216 FOR THE PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 4803, 4807, 4811 COMMERCIAL PARK DRIVE. THIS IS A REZONING REQUEST FROM INTERIM SINGLE FAMILY STANDARD LOT OR INTERIM SF 2 DISTRICT ZONING TO LIMITED INDUSTRIAL SERVICES CONDITIONAL OVERLAY OR LI-CO ZONING. THIS IS READY FOR SECOND AND THIRD READINGS ON CONSENT. ITEM NO. 57 IS A P.U.D., CASE C 814-90-0003.13, THE HARRIS BRANCH PUD AMENDMENT 13 FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1375 U.S. HIGHWAY 290 EAST AT THE PROPOSED STATE HIGHWAY 130. THIS IS A REZONING REQUEST FROM PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT TO P.U.D. ZONING TO CHANGE CONDITIONS OF THAT ZONING. THIS IS READY FOR CONSENT APPROVAL ON SECOND AND THIRD READINGS. AND I WOULD LIKE TO NOTE THAT THE ORDINANCES -- THE ORDINANCE THAT YOU HAVE BEFORE YOU THERE ARE THREE CHANGES THAT I WOULD LIKE TO READ INTO THE RECORD WHICH COULD BE OFFERED AS A CONSENT ITEM. ON PAGE 3 OR 4 OF THE ORDINANCE, UNDER PART 6, PARAGRAPH I, THAT THERE BE ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE TO INCLUDE THAT THERE WILL BE NO REDUCTION IN IMPERVIOUS COVER AS A RESULT OF A BUILDING ON SLOPES. AND ON PAGE 4, OF 4, AGAIN UNDER PART 6, PARAGRAPH N, TO ADD SOME ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE, THAT WOULD STATE: DEVELOPMENT WITHIN TRACTS 30, 31, 32 AND 33 SHALL BE LIMITED TO VEHICULAR ROADWAY AND UTILITY CROSSINGS AND HIKE AND BIKE TRAILS. AND THEN FINALLY UNDER PART 6 THAT SAME PART 6, PARAGRAPH P, TO ADD AT THE END, AND HIKE AND BIKE TRAILS. AND THESE ARE CLARIFICATIONS TO THIS ORDINANCE. THAT COULD BE OFFERED FOR SECOND AND THIRD READINGS. ITEM NO. 58, THIS IS CASE NPA-05-0013.01, FOR A PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2008-A SOUTH FIRST STREET, THIS IS A CHANGE TO THE AUSTIN TOMORROW COMPREHENSIVE PLAN LOCATED IN THE BOULDIN NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING AREA. THE CHANGE -- TO CHANGE THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP FROM SINGLE FAMILY USE DESIGNATION TO MIXED USE DESIGNATION, READY FOR CONSENT APPROVAL ON SECOND AND THIRD READINGS. A

RELATED ITEM IS CASE OR ITEM NO. 59, ZONING CASE C14-04--- C14-05152 THE BODY SHOP LOCATED AT 2808 A IN SOUTH FIRST STREET, AGAIN IN THE BOULDIN CREEK NEIGHBORHOOD, REZONING REQUEST FROM FAMILY RESIDENCE NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING COMBINING DISTRICT ZONING OR SF 3-NP ZONING TO NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL MIXED USE NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN COMBINING DISTRICT ZONING OR LR-MU-NP ZONING, READY FOR CONSENT APPROVAL ON SECOND AND THIRD READINGS. ITEM NO. 60 WOULD BE A DISCUSSION ITEM. THAT CONCLUDES THE CONSENT ITEMS UNDER THIS PORTION OF THE ZONING AGENDA.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, COUNCIL ON OUR ZONING CASES WHERE WE HAVE ALREADY CLOSED THE PUBLIC HEARING, ITEM 53 POSTPONE UNTIL APRIL 6th 2006, TO APPROVE ON SECOND AND THIRD READINGS CASES 54, 55, 56. TO APPROVE ON SECOND AND THIRD READINGS CASE 57 WITH CLARIFICATIONS AS READ INTO THE RECORD BY GOOD MR. GUERNSEY, TO APPROVE ON SECOND AND THIRD READINGS CASES 58 AND 59. I'LL RECENT ENTERTAIN A MOTION. MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER KIM, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLY TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS READ. FURTHER COMMENTS? HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

Wynn: OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF 7-0. LET ME THEN CONTINUE ON WITH THE ZONING AND NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN AMENDMENT HEARINGS AND APPROVAL OF ORDINANCES AND RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS. THE FIRST ITEM THAT I WOULD LIKE TO OFFER AS CONSENT IS Z-1, C 14-040030 TIME INSURANCE FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1405 AND 1415 EAST RIVERSIDE DRIVE. I HAVE SPOKEN WITH THE MEDIATOR, BOTH SIDES ARE STILL CONTINUING TO DISCUSS THIS ITEM, SO THE STAFF WOULD OFFER A POSTPONEMENT OF THIS ITEM FOR AN ADDITIONAL 30 DAYS OR APPROXIMATELY ONE MONTH. THAT WOULD BE TO APRIL 20th 20th. ITEM NO. Z-DID, THIS IS CASE -- Z-2, C14-05175 NEWMARK HOMES FOR A PROPERTY LOCATED AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SOUTH FIRST STREET AND WEST F.M. 1626. THIS IS A REZONING REQUEST FROM INTERIM

RURAL RESIDENTIAL OR INTERIM RR TO COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL GR DISTRICT ZONING FOR TRACT 1. AND SINGLE FAMILY STANDARD LOT OR SF 2 ZONING FOR TRACT 2. THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION RECOMMENDED THE ZONING CHANGE. IT'S READY FOR ALL THREE READINGS. THE RECOMMENDATION IS WITH SOME CONDITIONS. ITEM Z-3 IS C14-050202 CROWN CASTLE AND SPICEWOOD SPRINGS LOCATED AT 4919 SPICEWOOD SPRINGS ROAD. A REZONING REQUEST FROM INTERIM FAMILY RESIDENCE OR INTERIM SF 3 ZONING TO GENERAL OFFICE GO DISTRICT ZONING. THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION RECOMMENDED SF 6 CO DISTRICT ZONING, THIS IS READY FOR ALL THREE READINGS. I WOULD LIKE TO POINT OUT THAT THE APPLICANT WORKING WITH AN ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNER AMENDED THIS REZONING REQUEST. ORIGINALLY IT CAME IN FOR A TRACT OF LAND THAT WAS 1.91-ACRES FOR APPROXIMATELY 83,000 SQUARE FEET. HE AMENDED THE APPLICATION TO REDUCE THE SIZE OF THE TRACT TO ONLY .19 ACRES OR APPROXIMATELY 8,276 SQUARE FEET IN ORDER TO WORK OUT A MUTUAL AGREEMENT WITH AN ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNER. SO I JUST WANTS TO MAKE SURE THAT'S NOTED FOR THE RECORD. THAT CAN BE OFFERED FOR CONSENT ON THREE READING. Z-4 C14-050207, FOR A PROPERTY LOCATED AT 6863 U.S. HIGHWAY 290 WEST. THIS IS A REZONING REQUEST FROM INTERIM SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE STANDARD LOT DISTRICT ZONING OR INTERIM SF 2 DISTRICT ZONING TO NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL OR LR DISTRICT ZONING. THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDED LR-MU COMBINING DISTRICT ZONING AND THIS IS READY FOR FIRST READING ONLY. ITEM NO. Z-5 IS CASE C 1406-006, TRAINING ROOM SPORTS LLP FOR A PROPERTY LOCATED AT 13713 RESEARCH BOULEVARD, REZONING REQUEST FROM COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL OR GR DISTRICT ZONING AND INTERIM -- IRR DISTRICT ZONING TO COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL CONDITIONAL OVERLAY COMBINING DISTRICT ZONING OR GR-CO ZONING. THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION RECOMMENDED THIS AND READY FOR ALL THIRD READINGS. ITEM NO. Z-6 IS CASE C 14 H-05-0033, THE FITZGERALD SHORT HOUSE LOCATED AT 502 EAST 32nd STREET. THIS IS A REZONING REQUEST FROM SF 3 CO-NP, WHICH STANDS FOR FAMILY RESIDENCE CONDITIONAL

OVERLAY NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN COMBINING DISTRICT ZONING, TO SF 3 HCO-NP STANDS FOR FAMILY RESIDENCE HISTORIC CONDITIONAL OVERLAY COMBINING DISTRICT ZONING. RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION, READY FOR ALL THREE READINGS ON CONSENT. STEM NUMBER Z-78, LOCATED AT 901 WEST 31st STREET. REZONING FROM FAMILY RESIDENCE CONDITIONAL OVERLAY NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING COMBINING DISTRICT ZONING TO SF 3 H CO-NP, WHICH STANDS FOR FAMILY RESIDENCE HISTORIC CONDITIONAL OVERLAY COMBINING DISTRICT ZONING. READY FOR ALL THREE READINGS, ALSO RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION. ITEM Z-8 IS A DISCUSSION ITEM. Z-9 IS CASE C14-050030, THE BELL HOUSE AT 106 WEST 32nd STREET. THIS IS A REZONING REQUEST FROM SF 3 NCCD-NP WHICH STANDS FOR FAMILY RESIDENCE NEIGHBORHOOD TO SF 3 H NCCD-NP, THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDED THIS REZONING REQUEST AND IT IS ALSO READY FOR ALL THREE READING ON CON SENT. THAT CONCLUDES THE CONSENT ITEMS. MARES THANK

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. IMURN SEE, THE CONSENT ITEMS WILL BE POSTPONE CASE Z-1 TO APRIL 20th, 2006, TO APPROVE ON ALL THREE READINGS, CASE Z-2, BEFORE WE GO TO Z-3, LOOKS LIKE WE HAVE A COUPLE OF FOLKS WHO SIGNED UP IN OPPOSITION OF Z-3. IT IS PROPOSED FOR APPROVAL ON ALL THREE READINGS WITH WHICH COMMENTS READ INTO THE RECORD. LET'S SEE IF -- MR. AND/OR MRS. HERZIG ARE HERE? ARE YOU ALL --

[INDISCERNIBLE]

Mayor Wynn: STILL IN OPPOSITION?

Mayor Wynn: OKAY, COUNCIL, WE WILL HEAR THIS ZONING CASE LATER. SO WE WILL -- ZONING -- CONSENT AGENDA WILL NOT INCLUDE FOR THE TIME BEING CASE Z-3. TURNING ON WITH THE CONSENT AGENDA TO APPROVE ON CONSENT AGENDA FIRST READING ONLY CASE Z-4, TO APPROVE ON ALL THREE READINGS, CASES Z-5 AND Z-6. Z-7 ANOTHER CITIZEN SIGNED UP, IS DONNA ANDRES HERE? DONNA? SIGNED UP NEUTRAL.

SHE'S THE APPLICANT.

WE WILL KEEP IT ON THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR ALL THREE READINGS. TO APPROVE ON ALL THREE READINGS CASE Z-9. I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION.

MOVE APPROVAL.

Mayor Wynn: MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER MCCRACKEN, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLY TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THESE CASES WHERE WE WILL TAKE ACTION AND APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS READ. FURTHER COMMENTS? HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

Wynn: OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF 7-0. MR. GUERNSEY THE FACT THAT WE HAVE TWO FOLKS IN OPPOSITION ON CASE Z-3 THAT WAS OTHERWISE PROPOSED FOR APPROVAL PERHAPS WE CAN TAKE UP THAT PUBLIC HEARING AND GET IT DONE PRIOR EVEN TO OUR 5:30 BREAK.

Guernsey: THANK YOU, MAYOR. Z-3 FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4919 SPICEWOOD SPRINGS ROAD. THE APPLICANT IS CROWN CASTLE U.S.A. THIS IS A REZONING REQUEST FROM ISF 3 OR INTERIM FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO GO, THE APPLICANT HAS AGREED TO THE SF 6 ZONING LIMITING THE ONLY PERMITTED USE TO THE COMMUNICATION TOWER AND OTHER PERMITTED SINGLE FAMILY USES. AS I MENTIONED BEFORE, THE APPLICANT HAS AMENDED THE REZONING REQUEST AT THE REQUEST OF AN ADJOINING PROPERTY OWNER TO BE ONLY .19 ACRES, THIS IS A REDUCTION OF .72 ACRES FROM THE ORIGINAL REQUEST. SO IT ONLY WOULD OCCUPY A SMALL PORTION OF THE SOUTH SOUTHERN EASTERN CORNER OF THE PROPERTY. THE REQUEST IS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A TELECOMMUNICATIONS TOWER. THERE'S APPARENTLY ONE ON THE PROPERTY, THEY WOULD LIKE TO CONSTRUCT ANOTHER TOWER THAT WOULD BE SLIGHTLY TALLER. THAT WOULD ALSO ACCOMMODATE ANOTHER PROVIDER. WITH THAT I WILL PAUSE AT THIS TIME. IF THE DESIRED TOWER WHICH I BELIEVE IS OVER 100 FEET WOULD BE PROPOSED, IT

WOULD HAVE TO COME BACK AND GET A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FROM OUR ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION BEFORE THEY COULD GO FORWARD WITH THAT PROJECT. THE AGENT IS HERE TO SPEAK TO THE ITEM, AS I UNDERSTAND YOU HAVE TWO PEOPLE IN OPPOSITION THAT ALSO WANT TO SPEAK TO THIS. WITHOUT OBJECTION WE WILL START THE PUBLIC HEARING BY ASKING THE APPLICANT OR AGENT TO PRESENT HIS OR HER CASE, FIVE MINUTES IF NEEDED, WELCOME, SIR.

THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. COUNCILMEMBERS, I'M REPRESENTING CROWN CASTLE. VINCENT GERARD. WE TALKED TO THE OPPOSITION A FEW WEEKS AGO AND AGREED TO GO AHEAD AND LIMIT THE ZONING CASE TO THE LEASE AREA WHERE THE FACILITIES ARE. THE PRESENT DAYS IS BASED ON THE LAST ONE. THIS IS A HIGHLY NEEDED TOWER. WE WOULD LIKE TO BRING DOWN THE OTHER ONE THAT'S EXISTING. IT'S AT CAPACITY. CONTRADICT COMMUNICATIONS IS NOW -- CRICKET COMMUNICATIONS IS COMING INTO AUSTIN TO PROVIDE THEIR WIRELESS SERVICES THAT WOULD LIKE TO GET ON TOP OF THE 100-FOOT TOWER. IT PROVIDES A POTENTIAL FOR CO-LOCATION, CANDIDATES ON THIS FACILITY AS STAFF ALREADY SAID. THE LIMIT IN THIS EXISTING FACILITY IS 100 FEET. IF WE WERE TO ASK FOR AN ADDITIONAL HEIGHT WE WOULD HAVE TO GO THROUGH PLALTING AND ZONING TO ASK THAT. FOR INSTANCE ANOTHER CARRIER WOULD LIKE TO GET ON THIS EXISTING FACILITY, THAT WOULD HAVE TO BE PROVIDED AT AN SUP CONVENIENT OR CUP VENUE. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS I WOULD BE HAPPY TO ANSWER THEM.

THANK YOU, SIR, QUESTIONS? COMMENTS, COUNCIL? WE HAVE TWO FOLKS WISHING TO SPEAK, IN OPPOSITION, MR. AND MRS. HERZIG. WELCOME, YOU WILL HAVE THREE MINUTES.

THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR, COUNCILMEMBERS, MY NAME IS [INDISCERNIBLE], AS GREG GUERNSEY ALREADY STATED WE HAVE WORKED WITH THE APPLICANT IN ADDRESSING THEIR CONCERNS. WE HAVE REACHED AN AGREEMENT AS FAR AS SPOT ZONING THE AREA THAT THEY ACTUALLY NEED FOR THE TOWER. AND SECONDLY, WE ALSO ASKED THEM WHAT HEIGHT DO YOU NEED AND AT THAT TIME THEY STATED

THEIR ACTUAL REQUIREMENT FOR THIS TOWER IS 100-FOOT. ADDITIONALLY THIS INFORMATION IS ENCLOSED IN YOUR SUPPORTING MATERIALS IN TERMS OF IN THE FORM OF AN AFFIDAVIT THAT ACTUALLY STATES THAT THEY WANT 100-FOOT HEIGHT. OUR PRINCIPAL OPPOSITION IS BASED ON THE FACT THAT WE WOULD LIKE THE APPLICANT TO BASICALLY RECEIVE WHAT THEY ACTUALLY NEED FOR HIS CURRENT PROJECT, BUT NOT LEAVE IT OPEN FOR FUTURE REVISIONS AND SO ON. SO ESSENTIALLY THE APPLICANT OR THEIR AGENT STATED THAT THEIR CURRENT NEED IS 100-FOOT HEIGHT. WE WOULD LIKE TO PROPOSE THAT THE LANGUAGE OF THE ORDINANCE BE AMENDED SLIGHTLY SO AS TO LIMIT THE -- THE TOWER HEIGHT TO 100-FOOT. THE ACTUAL REVISION TO THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT WOULD BE AS FOLLOWS: FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE TELECOMMUNICATION TOWER NOT TO EXCEED 100-FOOT IN HEIGHT. THAT IS BASICALLY THE SLIGHT DISAGREEMENT THAT WE STILL HAVE WITH THE APPLICANT AND WE BELIEVE SEVERAL OF YOU ARE LAWYERS AND LEGAL PEOPLE THAT THIS AMENDMENT COULD ACTUALLY BE ACCOMPLISHED IN THIS HEARING. I WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE YOU A LITTLE BIT TO THE PROPERTY. SEVERAL STATEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE ABOUT THE APPLICANT'S PROPERTY. WELL FIRST OF ALL THE AGENT STATED THAT IT'S 1.92-ACRE. IT'S ACTUALLY 1.622 ACRES IN SIZE AND I HAVE THE LEGAL PLAT OF THEIR SUBDIVISION IN MY HAND. UNFORTUNATELY IT'S NOT POSSIBLE TO SHOW IT HERE. TO GET THE RECORD STRAIGHT THEIR ACTUAL SIZE IS 1.622 ACRES. THEY AGREED TO LIMIT THEIR REZONING FOR THE FOOTPRINT OF THEIR TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES. WE REALLY APPRECIATE THAT THEY ACTUALLY RESPONDED TO OUR CONCERNS. AS FAR AS AFFECTING THE ZONING OF THE SURROUNDING PROPERTIES. AGAIN THE -- THE BASIS OF THE DISAGREEMENT IS VERY -- HYPOTHETICAL IF SCENARIO THAT SOMETIME IN THE FUTURE THEY WANT TO DO 100-FOOT. OR WHETHER TO ACTUALLY JUST GRANT THEM WHAT THEY ACTUALLY REQUIRE FOR THIS -- FOR THEIR CURRENT PROJECT. WE BELIEVE THIS WOULD BE IN THE BENEFIT OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD. SEVERAL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS FOR SPEAKING OUT AGAINST THIS CASE, IN NORTHWEST AUSTIN, AND NWAC SPOKE OUT AGAINST IT, SEVERAL ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS SPOKE OUT AGAINST

THIS. I BELIEVE AT THIS TIME TO REACH A CLOSURE ON THIS CASE WOULD BE IN EVERYBODY'S INTERESTS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. HERZIG. EVELYN HERZIG. WELCOME.

THANK YOU MR. MAYOR, COUNCILMEMBERS. IN THE INTEREST OF WORKING WITH OUR NEIGHBORS AND RESPECTING THAT THEY HAVE A RIGHT TO MAKE THE HIGHEST AND BEST USE OF THEIR PROPERTY, WE DID TRY TO WORK THIS OUT WITH THEM, BUT OUR UNDERSTANDING WAS THAT THEY WERE WILLING TO DO A CONDITIONAL OVERLAY TO LIMIT THE HEIGHT OF THE NEW TOWER TO 100 FEET. AS YOU KNOW, THIS IS A SCENIC CORRIDOR WHERE BUSINESSES SIGN HEIGHTS ARE LIMITED TO JUST 12 FEET. HOWEVER, THIS IS A GRANDFATHERED SITE WHERE THERE'S BEEN A 75-FOOT CELL PHONE TOWER FOR A WHILE. SO I THINK THAT WE SHOULD TRY TO ACCOMMODATE THEIR NEED WITH AN EYE TO THE FUTURE AND HOW WE WANT TO TREAT OUR SCENIC CORRIDORS, SO LOOKING AT THE BIG PICTURE, DO WE REALLY WANT TO ALLOW UNLIMITED TALL TOWERS IN THIS SCENIC CORRIDORS, IS THAT HOW WE WANT TO HANDLE THAT VISION FOR THE FUTURE? I DON'T THINK SO. BUT THIS IS A GRANDFATHERED SITE. SO I THINK THAT WE SHOULD WORK WITH THEM. THE TOWER ORDINANCE IS GOING TO REQUIRE THEM TO FILE AN AFFIDAVIT TO SHOW THAT ANY ADDITIONAL FACILITIES THAT EXIST CAN'T HANDLE THIS NEW REQUIREMENT AND THE LITTLE -- THE LITTLE DOTS THAT YOU SEE ON THE SCREEN SHOW THAT THERE ARE ABOUT 20 TELECOM TOWERS ALREADY WITHIN JUST A TWO MILE RADIUS. OF THIS SITE. I CAN TELL YOU FROM EVEN DOWN IN THE CANYON ADJACENT TO THIS TOWER, I DON'T HAVE ANY PROBLEM WITH BANDWIDTH ON MY DATA OR MY VOICE. SO WE ARE NOT REALLY CONVINCED THAT THERE'S ACTUALLY A NEED FOR THIS OR THAT THE APPLICANT HAS MET THE REQUIREMENT YET TO SHOW THAT THERE IS A NEED. AND I THINK THAT WE SHOULD PERHAPS EXPLORE THAT A LITTLE BIT FURTHER TO -- TO DETERMINE WHETHER WE ACTUALLY NEED A NEW TOWER OR NOT. THE YELLOW STRIP ON THE OTHER DRAWING, THAT'S OUR DRIVEWAY ADJACENT TO -- TO THE CELL SITE. AND I JUST WANTED TO ASK YOU ALL IF

YOU WOULD FEEL COMFORTABLE HAVING 120-FOOT TOWER THAT MIGHT BE ALLOWED IN THE FUTURE IF WE DO FOR THE LIMIT THE HEIGHT TO 100 FEET AT THIS POINT? IF YOU WOULD BE HAPPY HAVING THAT LOOMING OVER YOUR DRIVEWAY WHEN YOU PICK UP YOUR MAIL EVERY DAY. JUST SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT. WHERE HE APPRECIATE YOUR TIME WE APPRECIATE YOUR TIME. [ONE MOMENT PLEASE FOR CHANGE IN CAPTIONERS]

IT'S EASIER TO EXTEND IT HIGHER TO CO-LOCATE ANOTHER CARRIER ON HERE VERY MUCH IN A HIGH CAPACITY AREA THAN ADD AN ADDITIONAL TOWER. AS SOME OF THE NEIGHBORS HAVE TALKED ABOUT, WE DON'T WANT TO COME IN AND BE FORCED TO PUT ANOTHER FACILITY UP IN THE IMMEDIATE AREA. I THINK THE CITY ORDINANCE IS WRITTEN WELL BECAUSE IT HELPS COMBINE THESE FACILITIES ON TO EXISTING TOWERS. AND OBVIOUSLY HEIGHT IS AN ISSUE, THE HIGHER THE BETTER, THE BETTER COVERAGE. THIS AREA PHYSICALLY IS CHALLENGED BECAUSE OF THE CANYON THAT BULL CREEK HAS. WE DID GET LETTERS, WE DID TALK TO SKIP CAMERON. LETTERS OF NON-OPPOSITION FROM THE SPICEWOOD SPRINGS PEOPLE. DEAF MANDY WROTE A LETTER. WE HAVE A LETTER STATING THAT THIS IS THE BEST POSSIBLE SOLUTION TO THEIR COVERAGE IN THIS IMMEDIATE AREA. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, SIR. QUESTIONS, COUNCIL, COMMENTS? COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ.

Alvarez: FOR STAFF, I GUESS, ABOUT THE GRANDFATHERING ISSUE. IT SEEMS LIKE -- I GUESS IT'S SUGGESTED THAT THIS SITE IS GRANDFATHERED, BUT IS IT GRANDFATHERED AT A 75-FOOT LEVEL OR IS IT GRANDFATHERED AT AN UNLIMITED HEIGHT OR WHAT EXACTLY IS IT?

IT'S NOT GRANDFATHER TO A LIMITED HEIGHT. AS I UNDERSTAND, THEY WANT TO TAKE DOWN THE EXISTING TOWER AND PUT UP A NEW TOWER THAT EXCEEDS THE LIMITS THAT ARE OUTLINED CURRENTLY BY OUR CODE. AND THAT'S THE REASON WHY IT'S HERE TODAY. AT ONE POINT THE PRIOR OWNER OR MAYBE THE SAME OWNER ACTUALLY APPLIED FOR AND RECEIVED A VARIANCE TO GO UP TO 120 FEET, BUT IT WAS NOT UTILIZED, SO THEY BUILT AT A

LESSER HEIGHT. ALTHOUGH THE VARIANCE WAS GRANTED, THE VARIANCE DOES NOT LAST FOR MORE THAN THAT ONE-YEAR PERIOD. SO THEY BUILT UNDER PERHAPS A DIFFERENT ORDINANCE, DIDN'T UTILIZE THE 120 FEET AND THAT'S WHAT PRESENTS YOU WITH THE TOWER THAT EXISTS TODAY. BUT IF THEY WERE TO REMOVE THIS TOWER AND PUT UP ANOTHER TOWER OF GREATER HEIGHT, THEN THEY HAVE TO COMPLY AND THAT IS THE REASON WHY THEY'RE SEEKING THE ZONING CHANGE.

Alvarez: AND IT'S THE COUNCIL THAT APPROVED THAT 120-FOOT?

THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT WAS THE ENTITY THAT APPROVED THAT. BUT THAT VARIANCE HAS LAPSED AND IS NO LONGER CAN BE USED BY THE PROPERTY OWNER. THE SOLUTION TO THEIR SITUATION TODAY IS TO FILE FOR A ZONING CHANGE TO SEEK A DISTRICT THAT WOULD ALLOW A GREATER TOWER HEIGHT.

Alvarez: AND I THINK THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE APPLICANT MENTIONED CO-LOCATION AND THE NEED FOR ADDITIONAL HEIGHT TO BE ABLE TO DO THAT, BUT IS THERE A WAY TO MAKE THIS CONTINGENT ON THERE BEING MULTIPLE USERS, YOU KNOW, ON A PARTICULAR TOWER?

OUR ORDINANCE ACTUALLY ENCOURAGES MULTIPLE USERS ON A SINGLE TOWER RATHER THAN HAVING MULTIPLE TOWERS WITH INDIVIDUAL TENANT ARRAY. SO THAT IS SOMETHING WE ACTUALLY ENCOURAGE IN A CODE TO HAVE THE CO-LOCATION.

Alvarez: MAYBE FOR THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE APPLICANT, OR THE APPLICANT, I'M NOT SURE, THE OWNER.

YES, SIR?

Alvarez: I GUESS THE CURRENT TOWER IS 75 FEET TALL APPARENTLY?

85 FEET TALL.

Alvarez: 85?

YES, SIR.

Alvarez: AND YOUR REQUEST IS TO GO TO WHAT HEIGHT?  
BECAUSE I BELIEVE THE NEIGHBORHOOD SAID THEY  
WANTED TO LEAVE IT AT 100 OR SET IT AT 100 FEET? I  
HEARD YOU TALK ABOUT AN EXTRA 15 FEET, IS THAT RIGHT?

THE MAXIMUM WE CAN GO WITH THE EXISTING ZONING THAT  
THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDED WOULD BE 100  
FEET.

Alvarez: AND THE NEIGHBORS ARE ASKING FOR IT TO STAY.

THE NEIGHBORHOOD IS ASKING FOR A RESTRICTION ON  
THAT. WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO SAY IS SPEAKING ON  
CROWN'S BEHALF IS THAT IF -- AND IF'S ALWAYS HAPPEN OR  
SOMETIMES NEVER, ANOTHER CARRIER WAS GOING TO  
WANT TO EXPAND ON THIS SITE, THEY COULD ASK FOR  
ANOTHER FIVE, 10 FEET, BUT THEY WOULD HAVE TO GO ALL  
THE WAY THROUGH THE PROCESS AGAIN INVOLVING THE  
HERZOG'S.

Alvarez: I GUESS I'M TRYING TO DETERMINE THE DIFFERENCE  
BETWEEN WHAT I GUESS PLANNING COMMISSION  
RECOMMENDED. I'M NOT SURE WHAT HAPPENED TO MY  
MICROPHONE. BASICALLY I'M JUST TRYING TO FIGURE OUT,  
YOU KNOW, I'M STILL HAVING A HARD TIME PUTTING MY  
FINGER ON WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN WHAT  
YOU'RE REQUESTING OR PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVED  
AND WHAT THE TWO INDIVIDUALS WHO SPOKE IN SLIGHT  
OPPOSITION AS THEY PUT IT? IS IT 15 FEET?

15 FEET, YES, SIR. THAT'S ALL WE CAN DO AT THIS POINT.

Alvarez: ALL RIGHT. I THINK I UNDERSTAND.

AND ALSO, COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ, THERE ARE TWO  
EXISTING CINGULAR AND ANOTHER CARRIER ON THE SITE  
RIGHT NOW AND THEY WOULD LIKE TO EXPAND AS WELL, SO  
THEY NEED SOME MORE CAPACITY.

Alvarez: OKAY. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: COUNCILMEMBER LEFFINGWELL.

Leffingwell: JUST TO MAKE SURE I UNDERSTAND, THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION WAS SF-6-CO, AND THE CO BEING A HEIGHT LIMITATION ON THE TOWER OF 100 FEET?

THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION DIDN'T ACTUALLY SPEAK TO A HEIGHT LIMITATION. WHAT THEY DID IS THEY SAID THAT THE ONLY NONRESIDENTIAL USE WOULD BE A COMMUNICATIONS TOWER, AND THAT IT WOULD PERMIT OTHER SINGLE-FAMILY USES AND PROHIBIT MANY OTHER USES ON THE PROPERTY. SO THEY DIDN'T DIRECTLY LIMIT THE HEIGHT AS PART OF THEIR MOTION. THEY MADE IT A COMBINATION THAT WOULD ALLOW THE TOWER TO BE ERECTED ON THE PROPERTY AND THEN ISSUE A PERMIT FOR ADDITIONAL HEIGHT ON THE TOWER, BUT THEY DIDN'T ACTUALLY ATTACH A CONDITIONAL OVERLAY THAT SPECIFICALLY LIMITED THEIR HEIGHT. THEY RELIED ON THE EXISTING TELECOMMUNICATIONS ORDINANCE.

Leffingwell: BUT ACCORDING TO THE RECOMMENDATION, THE HEIGHT LIMIT ON THE TOWER IS 100 FEET, IS THAT CORRECT?

THAT'S CORRECT. IF THEY WERE TO GO ABOVE 120 OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT, THEY WOULD TRIGGER A CONDITIONAL USE PROCESS, WHICH WOULD REQUIRE A SITE PLAN TO GO BACK BEFORE THE COMMISSION FOR THEIR APPROVAL. IF THERE WAS AN INTERESTED PARTY THAT WAS OBJECTING TO THAT, THEY COULD CERTAINLY APPEAL THAT AND THAT WOULD COME BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL TO HEAR THAT APPEAL.

Leffingwell: AND THE APPLICANT MAY WANT TO ANSWER THIS. I THOUGHT I HEARD THAT WHEN YOU'RE ANSWERING COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ'S QUESTION THAT 100 FEET WAS SUFFICIENT FOR YOUR PRESENT NEEDS, BUT THE ADDITIONAL HEIGHT WAS WANTED FOR POSSIBLE FUTURE NEEDS, IS THAT CORRECT?

YES, SIR, COUNCILMEMBER, POSSIBLE FUTURE NEEDS. AGAIN, I THINK THE INDUSTRY WOULD RATHER CO-LOCATE WHEREVER POSSIBLE ON EXISTING FACILITIES. SO THAT WOULD BE WHAT WE'RE ASKING FOR TODAY.

Leffingwell: THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: MR. GUERNSEY, JUST FOR MY SAKE, IN THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION WAS WHAT?

THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION WAS FOR L.O. LIMITED OFFICE, SO THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION WAS MORE RESTRICTIVE THAN THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION.

Leffingwell: OKAY, THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: FURTHER COMMENTS, QUESTIONS? COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLEY.

Dunkerley: WHAT THE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION ON HEIGHT ON YOUR L.O.? DID YOU RECOMMEND A HEIGHT?

WE DIDN'T HAVE A SPECIFIC HEIGHT LIMITATION IN OUR RECOMMENDATION EITHER.

Mayor Wynn: FURTHER COMMENTS, QUESTIONS? IF NOT, I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION. ON ITEM Z-3.

Dunkerley: I WOULD MOVE APPROVAL OF THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION OF SF-6 WITH CO WITH THE EXTRA 15 FEET HEIGHT. UNLESS I'VE GOTTEN IT ALL MESSED UP, GREG.

Mayor Wynn: MR. GUERNSEY?

WELL, BY ADDING THE ADDITIONAL 15 FEET, IT SOUNDS LIKE THERE WOULD BE THEN AN ADDITIONAL CONDITIONAL OVERLAY THAT WOULD LIMIT THE TOWER TO ONLY 100 FEET.

Dunkerley: WOULD WHAT NOW?

IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THE MOTION AS IT'S SUGGESTED --

Dunkerley: I'M TRYING TO GET IT TO THE 10015 SO THERE WILL BE ROOM IN THE FUTURE FOR ADDITIONAL CO-LOCATIONS WITHOUT HAVING TO BUILD A SECOND TOWER. SO WHAT MOTION SHOULD I MAKE?

YOU COULD THEN DO A CONDITIONAL OVERLAY IN ADDITION TO WHAT THE COMMISSION RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED BY THE APPLICANT TO SHRINK THE PROPERTY AND THEN YOU COULD HAVE A CONDITIONAL OVERLAY TO LIMIT A TELECOMMUNICATIONS TOWER NOT TO EXCEED 115-FOOT.

Dunkerley: OKAY. THAT IS MY MOTION.

McCracken: SECOND.

Mayor Wynn: MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLEY, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MCCRACKEN TO APPROVE -- CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND ON CASE Z-3 APPROVE SF-6 N ZONING WITH THE CONDITIONAL OVERLAY, ONE THAT REDUCES THE FOOTPRINT OF THIS ZONING CASE. AND THEN SECOND ALLOWS FOR THE 115-FOOT TOWER.

AND MAYOR, THE ORDINANCE IS NOT WRITTEN THAT WAY, BUT I THINK IT IS CLEAR ENOUGH BY THAT MOTION THAT WE CAN WORK WITH THE LAW DEPARTMENT TO PERFECT THAT SO IT COULD BE DONE ON ALL THREE READINGS TODAY.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. FURTHER COMMENTS, QUESTIONS? COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ.

Alvarez: THANKS, MAYOR. I THINK I FINALLY UNDERSTAND WHAT WE'RE VOTING ON, BUT I'M GOING TO SUPPORT THE MOTION. OBVIOUSLY IT A TOUGH ISSUE AND THE ADDITIONAL HEIGHT DOES HAVE AN IMPACT ON THE SURROUNDING OWNERS, BUT BY PROVIDING THE ADDITIONAL 15 FEET WE'RE ABLE TO STOP AN ADDITIONAL TOWER FROM GOING UP SOMEWHERE IN THIS AREA, THEN I THINK THAT'S OBVIOUSLY OF SOME BENEFIT GENERALLY TO THAT PART OF OUR COMMUNITY. AND SO I WILL BE

SUPPORTING THE MOTION. THANKS, MAYOR.

Mayor Wynn: FURTHER COMMENTS? WE HAVE A MOTION AND A SECOND ON THE TABLE, ALL THREE READINGS. ALL IN FAVOR, PLEASE SAY AYE?

AYE.

Mayor Wynn: OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF SEVEN TO ZERO. THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH. SO COUNCIL, THAT TAKES US JUST PAST OUR 5:30 BREAK FOR LIVE MUSIC AND A SERIES OF FUN PROCLAMATIONS. STAY TUNED FOR MR. RUSTY WEIR AS OUR MUSICIAN. WHILE WE ARE OFF THE DAIS, THE COUNCIL WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE ENCLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO SECTION 551.071 OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT TO POTENTIALLY DISCUSS ITEM 49 RELATED TO THE SAVE OUR SPRINGS, INC. VERSUS THE CITY OF AUSTIN. SO WE ARE NOW IN CLOSED SESSION AND STAY TUNED FOR LIVE MUSIC AND PROCLAMATIONS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

Mayor Wynn: OKAY, FOLKS, IF I COULD HAVE YOUR ATTENTION. WELCOME TO OUR LIVE MUSIC GIG AT THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL. YOU JUST LOST ME. THERE WE ARE. WE'RE WELCOMING RUSTY WEIR, TEXAS SINGER EXTRAORDINAIRE. HE HAS MADE APPEARANCES ON AUSTIN CITY LIMITS, HAS BEEN INDUCTED INTO THE AUSTIN MUSIC AWARDS HALL OF FAME. HAS SHARED THE STAGE WITH ACTS LIKE THE MARSHAL TUCKER BAND, CHARLIE DANIELS, WILLIE NELSON AND EVEN HAS THE DISTINCTION OF HAVING GEORGE STRAIT OPEN FOR HIM. HIS SONGS HAVE BEEN POPULARIZED BY THE LIKES OF BONNIE RAIT AND JERRY JEFF WALKER. HIS MUSIC IS PURE AMERICAN EVEN BEFORE THAT TERM WAS POPULAR. PLEASE JOIN ME IN WELCOMING AN AUSTINITE WHO HAS PAVED THE WAY FOR MANY OTHERS, MR. RUSTY WEIR.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I CAME IN THE DOOR AND AN OLD BOY SAID YOU LIVED HERE ALL YOUR LIFE, RUSTY? I SAID NOT YET. EVERY TIME I LIVE I WANT TO COME BACK. I LIVED IN LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA FOR 36 CENTS FOR SIX MONTHS. I FINALLY WROTE A SONG AND THANK GOD I WROTE THAT SONG. IT'S THE ONE HE WAS TALKING ABOUT.



READS: BE IT KNOWN THAT WHEREAS AUSTIN EARTH MONTH IS A SERIES OF FAMILY ORIENTED OUTDOOR EDUCATIONAL EVENTS HELD IN APRIL IN CELEBRATION OF EARTH DAY AND DEDICATED TO AUSTIN'S ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES. AND WHEREAS WE JOIN THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT IN SUPPORTING THE MONTH'S EVENTS, WHICH INCLUDE KEEP AUSTIN BEAUTIFUL'S CLEAN SWEEP, AUSTIN NATURE DAY, AUSTIN PARK FOUNDATION'S IT'S MY PARK DAY AND AUSTIN GREEN ARTS GREEN GATES PROJECT. AND WHEREAS WE ALSO ENCOURAGE ALL CITIZENS TO APPRECIATE AND BE GOOD STEWARDS OF OUR NATURAL ENVIRONMENT THAT CONTRIBUTES TO GREATLY TO THE CHARACTER AND QUALITY OF LIFE OF THIS GREAT CITY. NOW THEREFORE I, WILL WYNN, MAYOR OF AUSTIN, DO HERE BY PROCLAIM APRIL 2006 AS AUSTIN EARTH MONTH IN TOWN AND I'D LIKE TO ASK RYAN TO TALK TO US ABOUT ALL THE EVENTS THAT ARE OCCURRING THIS MONTH. RYAN? AND PLEASE JOIN ME IN THANKING RYAN FOR ALL THE GREAT WORK THAT HE AND SO MANY OTHER VOLUNTEERS ALL ACROSS THIS COMMUNITY DO FOR OUR NATURAL ENVIRONMENT. RYAN, THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

FIRST OF ALL, I LOVE THAT WE LIVE IN A CITY WHERE YOU GET A FREE CONCERT WHEN YOU COME TO THE COUNCIL MEETINGS ON THURSDAY EVENING. I'M NOT SURE WHERE ELSE IN AMERICA THAT HAPPENS. SO WHILE I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF THE AUSTIN PARKS FOUNDATION, I WOULD LIKE TO INVITE MAYOR WYNN AND THE SCOWBSES AND ALL AUSTINITES OUT TO ENJOY AND VOLUNTEER AT THE AUSTIN EARTH MONTH EVENTS THAT ARE COMING UP. I THINK THERE ARE REALLY -- THEY'RE A REALLY GREAT WAY, GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR THE AUSTIN COMMUNITY TO GIVE BACK AND TO TRY TO PRESERVE THE PARKS AND THE GREEN SPACES IN THIS CITY THAT ARE SUCH A UNIQUE ASSET TO US. AND WHILE WE'RE HERE, I'LL HIT THE MAIN EYE VENTS AND THE DATES. WE HAVE KEEP AUSTIN BEAUTIFUL'S CLEAN SWEEP ON APRIL EIGHTH, AUSTIN NATURE DAY ON APRIL 15TH. THE AUSTIN PARKS FOUNDATION'S IT'S MY PARK DAY ON APRIL 22nd. AND THE AUSTIN GREEN ARTS GREEN GATES EXHIBIT ON APRIL 22nd. AND 23rd. IF YOU WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION ON ANY OF THIS, PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT

AUSTINEARTHMONTH.ORG. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. [ APPLAUSE ]

Mayor Wynn: FOR OUR NEXT PROCLAMATION, WHICH IS REGARDING OUR CONSULTING BUSINESS START-UP CONFERENCE, I'M JOINED BY ROSIE JALIFI OF OUR SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT RESOURCES CENTER. I CAN NEVER GET THAT RIGHT.

CLOSE ENOUGH.

Mayor Wynn: OUR SMALL BUSINESS GROUP HERE IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN. I'LL READ THE PROCLAMATION AND ROSIE WILL TALK TO US ABOUT THE CONFERENCE AND HOW WE AT THE CITY OF AUSTIN ARE ACTIVELY WORKING TO HELP SMALL BUSINESS MEN AND WOMEN START AND GROW BUSINESSES HERE IN OUR CITY BECAUSE FUNDAMENTALLY THAT'S WHERE THE DISPROPORTIONATE NUMBER OF JOBS WILL BE CREATED HERE LOCALLY. THE PROCLAMATION READS: BE IT KNOWN WHEREAS ENTREPRENEURS INTERESTED IN OPENING A CONSULTING BUSINESS HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO RECEIVE START-UP AND OPERATION INSTRUCTION AT A ONE-DAY CONFERENCE HOSTED BY THE CITY'S SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM AND WHEREAS THE CONFERENCE FEATURES SPEAKERS AND LOCAL BUSINESS PEOPLE WHO HAVE STARTED SUCCESSFUL CONSULTING FIRMS. AND WHEREAS WE ENCOURAGE ALL ASPIRING CONSULTANTS TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE SBDP'S CONSULTING BUSINESS START-UP CONFERENCE TO START THEIR SMALL BUSINESSES OFF ON A SMALL FOOT AND INCREASE THEIR SURVIVEABILITY RATE. THEREFORE I, WILL WYNN, MAYOR OF AUSTIN, HERE BY PROCLAIM MARCH 31st, 2006, AS THE CONSULTING BUSINESS START-UP CONFERENCE DAY IN AUSTIN AND WOULD ASK ROSIE TO PLEASE STEP FORWARD AND TALK TO YOU ABOUT HOW YOU COULD SIGN UP FOR THE CONFERENCE, WHERE YOU CAN GET NMPS AND REALLY ALSO JUST AS IMPORTANTLY, THE RESOURCES THAT HER AND HER DEPARTMENT OFFER FOR SMALL BUSINESSES HERE IN TOWN. ROSIE?

THANK YOU MENT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I INVITE ALL OF YOU IN THE VIEWING AUDIENCE WHO HAVE AN INTEREST IN STARTING A SMALL BUSINESS TO COME AND VISIT OUR

SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM. WE HAVE A WONDERFUL RESOURCE. IT'S A RESOURCE CENTER FOR SMALL BUSINESSES, FOR ENTREPRENEURS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN STARTING A BUSINESS CAN COME, USE OUR HIGH SPEED INTERNET, PUT TOGETHER THEIR BUSINESS PLANS, MARKETING PLANS. WE ALSO HAVE A WONDERFUL ONLINE PLAN ROOM WHERE IF YOU'RE IN CONSTRUCTION YOU CAN COME AND LEARN ABOUT CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTING OPPORTUNITIES, PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTOR THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF TEXAS. WE ALSO RECENTLY PURCHASED THE PACKAGE THAT DELINEATES CONTRACTING OPPORTUNITIES IN THE GULF COAST, THE KATRINA RITA AREA. THERE'S A LOT OF JOBS AND CONTRACTING OPPORTUNITIES IN THE GULF COAST AREA. SO WE'VE GOT ALL THAT KIND OF INFORMATION THERE. SO HOW TO REACH US, CALL 764-7800. THAT'S 974-7800 AND WE'LL GET YOU THE RIGHT PERSON. THE CONFERENCE ON MARCH 31st, THIS IS OUR FOURTH ANNUAL INDUSTRY SPECIFIC START-UP CONFERENCE WHERE WE FOCUS ON INDUSTRY WITH PEOPLE WHO HAVE AN INTEREST IN STARTING A BUSINESS. THIS YEAR WE'RE FOCUSING ON THE THE CONSULTING BUSINESS. IF YOU WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CONFERENCE, CALL 974-7721. IT'S GOING TO BE THE 31st AT PALMER EVENTS CENTER AND IT'S GOING TO START AT 8:00 AND YOU CAN CALL 7721 AND WE'LL ENROLL YOU IN THE CLASS. AND WE ADVISE YOU AND ENCOURAGE YOU TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF IT. THE PARTICIPANTS, THE TEACHERS ARE SUCCESSFUL CONSULTANTS WHO ARE GOING TO BE SHARING THEIR EXPERIENCE FROM THEIR SCHOOL OF HARD KNOCKS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MAYOR. [ APPLAUSE ]

Mayor Wynn: IN ADDITION TO EARTH MONTH, APRIL IS A NUMBER OF OTHER MONTHS AND WE'RE CELEBRATING HERE IN AUSTIN PURCHASING MONTH. AFTER I READ THE PROCLAMATION, JERRY, I GUESS WE'LL STEP FORWARD AND TALK ABOUT PURCHASING DEPARTMENTS AND WHAT THEY DO FOR US AT THE CITY OF AUSTIN, BUT ALSO WHAT THEY DO FOR LARGER ORGANIZATIONS ALL ACROSS THE CITY AND HOW IMPORTANT IT IS THAT WE HAVE AS PROFESSIONALLY TRAINED PURCHASING AGENTS AS POSSIBLE. THE PROCLAMATION READS, BE IT KNOWN

WHEREAS THAT NAPM AUSTIN INC. IS ONE OF 180 AFFILIATES OF THE INSTITUTE OF SUPPLY MANAGEMENT AND WHEREAS THIS ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF PURCHASING MONTH FOCUSES ON EXPANDING AWARENESS OF THE PURCHASING AND MATERIAL MANAGEMENT PROFESSION'S ROLE AMONG BUSINESS AND CORPORATE LEADERS, GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, ACADEMIA AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC AND WHEREAS PURCHASING MONTH ALSO PROVIDES AN OPPORTUNITY TO EDUCATE STUDENTS AND OTHERS ABOUT CAREER OPPORTUNITIES IN PURCHASING AGENCIES. NOW THEREFORE I, WILL WYNN, MAYOR OF AUSTIN, HERE BY PROCLAIM MARCH 2006 AS PURCHASING MONTH IN AUSTIN AND WOULD ASK JERRY URCHA TO STEP UP AND SAY A FEW WORDS ABOUT THE MONTH. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, MAYOR WYNN. MY NAME IS URCHA, DEPUTY PURCHASING OFFICER FOR THE CITY OF AUSTIN. AND I WANT TO THANK THE MAYOR FOR THIS WONDERFUL PROCLAMATION ON BEHALF OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PURCHASING MANAGERS AND THE PURCHASING STAFF AT THE CITY'S PURCHASING OFFICE AND ALL OF THOSE PURCHASING PROFESSIONALS THROUGHOUT THIS GREAT CITY OF OURS. IT IS INDEED AN HONOR TO HAVE THIS RECOGNITION DURING THIS MONTH FOR ALL THE EFFORTS THAT WE MAKE AND THE DIFFERENCES THAT WE MAKE THROUGHOUT THE CITY. WITH ME IS MR. JERRY BENDER, WHO IS PRESIDENT OF THE AUSTIN CHAPTER OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PURCHASING MANAGERS, AND HE WILL TALK TO YOU A LITTLE BIT ABOUT HOW THEY HELP TO DEVELOP OUR WONDERFUL PROFESSION.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND YES, THANK YOU, MAYOR, FOR THE PROCLAMATION. THE AUSTIN AFFILIATE OF ISMNAPM WAS CHARTERED 36 YEARS AGO AND ON BEHALF OF OUR 200 PLUS MEMBERS I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE MAYOR FOR THE PROCLAMATION AND RECOGNIZING OUR ASSOCIATION. OUR ASSOCIATION HAS BEEN DEDICATED TO A GOAL THAT HAS NOT WAIVERED IN THE LAST 36 YEARS AND THAT IS TO PROVIDE A LEADERSHIP OF EXCELLENCE AND A FORM OF EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT. WE REPRESENT OVER 90 INDUSTRIES OR COMPANIES HERE IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN AND THEY RANGE

ACROSS PRIVATE INDUSTRY, INDIVIDUAL BUSINESSES, HOSPITALS AND UNIVERSITIES. WE ALSO STRIVE FOR CERTIFICATION IN THE AREA OF A CERTIFIED PURCHASING MANAGER. THIS IS AN ACCOMPLISHMENT THAT DEFINES THE LEVEL OF COMPETENCY THAT WOULD RECOGNIZE SUCH AS AN ACCOUNTANT WHO HAS APREED A CPA. TO THAT END THE CERTIFIED PURCHASING MANAGER WHO HAS A QUALIFIED PERSON WHO NOW HAS MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES, NEGOTIATIONS, CONTRACT LAWS AND ETHICS. THESE ARE THE CORNER STONES OF THE CERTIFICATION OF ACCOMPLISHMENT THAT THESE PEOPLE WILL ACHIEVE. IT IS ALSO RECOGNIZED FOR THE REPORT ON BUSINESS. YOU WILL NOTE THAT THE FEDERAL RESERVE AGENCY FREQUENTLY AND MONTHLY RECOGNIZES OUR INDICATORS THAT WE SURVEY AND WE ARE ALSO PARTICIPATING IN THAT SURVEY. I AM PROUD TO BE A LEADER IN THAT AREA AND THE HAPPINESS THAT AUSTIN IS IMPROVING AS WELL AS STATE OF TEXAS. JUST TWO MORE THINGS. THAT IS THAT WE DO HAVE SEVERAL FUND-RAISERS AND IN THE MONTH OF APRIL WE HAVE A SUPPLIER AND A BUYER MIXER. IT IS HELD DOWNTOWN AT ONE OF THOSE PLACES CALLED MAGGIE MAYS, BUT IT'S A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR BUYERS WHO ARE TRYING TO FIND SUPPLIERS, SO WE PRESENT THAT OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU AND IT'S ON OUR WEBSITE AT NAPM-AUSTIN.ORG. FINALLY, WE WANT TO JUST SAY THANK YOU VERY MUCH TO GOVERNOR RICK PERRY AS WE WERE ABLE TO ALSO BECOME -- PROCLAIMED BY THE GOVERNOR TO RECEIVE THE SUPPLY MANAGEMENT MONTH AS MARCH OF 2006. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [ APPLAUSE ]

Mayor Wynn: SO BEFORE SHE TRIES TO GET AWAY I WOULD LIKE TO ASK TOBY FUTRELL TO STEP UP AND SAY A FEW WORDS.

JUST TO TAKE A MOMENT AND A POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE HERE, URCHA IS ONE OF OUR VERY SPECIAL, BRIGHT, ARTICULATE, HARD WORKING CITY EMPLOYEES WHO STEPPED UP TO THE PLATE AT A TIME THAT WE WERE WITHOUT A PURCHASING OFFICER. HAS IT BEEN A YEAR? HOW LONG HAS IT BEEN.

SIX MONTHS.

IT JUST FEELS LIKE A YEAR TO HER. I WANTED TO THANK HER. WE HAVE OUR NEW PURCHASING OFFICER ON BOARD NOW. URCHA IS GOING TO BE STEPPING BACK TO THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR ROLE, AND I KNOW HER DAUGHTER AND HER ARE GOING TO BE VERY GRATEFUL FOR THAT, BUT I WOULD LOVE IT IF YOU WOULD GIVE HER A ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR THE REALLY HARD WORK SHE'S DONE IN THIS SIX MONTHS. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

Mayor Wynn: CONTINUING ON, FOR AWHILE THERE WE WERE THINKING OF DOES IT RAIN IN AUSTIN ANYMORE, BUT NOW WE KNOW IT DOES CONTINUE TO RAIN A LITTLE BIT. OUR NEXT PROCLAMATION IS REGARDING NATIONAL FLOOD AWARENESS WEEK. AND I'M JOINED BY A NUMBER OF FOLKS FROM BOTH OUR CITY STAFF, NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE, STEVE COLLIER WHO RUNS THE EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAMS. SO I'LL READ THE PROCLAMATION THAT HAS STEVE TALK TO US ABOUT NATIONAL FLOOD AWARENESS AND PARTICULARLY THIS WEEK, NATIONAL FLOOD SAFETY AWARENESS WEEK. THE PROCLAMATION READS: BE IT KNOWN WHEREAS AUSTIN IS IN THE MIDDLE OF CENTRAL TEXAS' FLASH FLOOD ALLEY WHERE WORLD RECORD RAINFALL RATES AND FREQUENT SEVERE FLASH FLOODS OCCUR AND WHEREAS FLOOD SITUATIONS CAN HAPPEN IN MINUTES WITH LITTLE OR NO WARNING. AND WHEREAS MORE THAN HALF OF FLOOD RELATED DEATHS OCCUR WHEN PEOPLE ARE TRYING TO DRIVE THROUGH SWIFT WATER AND WHEREAS DURING THE SPECIAL WEEK IT IS APPROPRIATE TO EMPHASIZE THE ADAGE, TURN AROUND, DON'T DROWN. MOTORISTS SHOULD TURN BACK IF WATER IS FLOWING ACROSS THE ROAD OR BARRICADES THAT ARE AT LOW WATER CROSSINGS. SO NOW THEREFORE I, WILL WYNN, MAYOR OF AUSTIN, DO HERE BY PROCLAIM THE WEEK OF MARCH 20TH, 24TH, 2006, THIS WEEK, AS NATIONAL FLOOD SAFETY AWARENESS WEEK AND CALL ON MR. STEVE COLLIER FROM OUR EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAMS TO TALK ABOUT THE WEEK. STEVE?

THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MAYOR. IF YOU WATCHED THE NEWS RECENTLY YOU'RE JUST KIND OF INUNDATED WITH IMAGES OF VARIOUS KINDS OF DISASTERS IN THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT BUSINESS. WE'VE BEEN CONTINUING TO FOCUS ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND

TERRORISM ISSUES. THEN WE SWITCHED TO CONCERN ABOUT PANDEMIC FLU, WHICH IS ONE OF THE MOST SEVERE SITUATIONS WE'RE FACING RIGHT NOW. IN THE LAST FEW WEEKS WE'VE BEEN LOOKING AT A CATASTROPHIC WILDLIFE FIRE SEASON IN THE STATE. AND LAST SUMMER WE DEALT WITH HURRICANES AND AGAIN WE'RE LOOKING AT A VERY ACTIVE HURRICANE SEASON AND WE'RE ALREADY BEGINNING TO PLAN OUR HURRICANE SHELTER OPERATIONS WITH THE STATE. IN THE MIDST OF THAT THE MOST IMPORTANT THING TO REMEMBER IS FLASH FLOODING. WE HAVE HAD SOME OF THE MOST SEVERE RAINFALL EVENTS IN THE UNITED STATES WITHIN 100 MILES OF WHERE WE'RE SITTING RIGHT NOW AND WE LOSE PEOPLE EVERY YEAR TO FLASH FLOODING HERE IN THE AUSTIN, CENTRAL TEXAS AREA. WE HAVE TWO BASIC MESSAGES WHICH WE HARP ON EVERY YEAR, THE FIRST ONE IS DO NOT DRIVE THROUGH FLOODED LOW WATER CROSSINGS. THE VAST MAJORITY OF PEOPLE WHO DIE IN FLASH FLOODS DIE IN THEIR VEHICLES IN THE CROSSINGS. AND THE SECOND MESSAGE IS BE SURE YOU GET A NOAA WEATHER RADIO SO YOU CAN GET THE MESSAGES AND WATCHES AND INFORMATION 24/7 DIRECTLY FROM THE RADIO. I HAVE THREE COHORTS HERE WHO ARE GOING TO MAKE REMARKS. LARRY IS THE WARNING COORDINATION METEOROLOGIST FOR THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE IN NEW BRAUNFELS AND HE'S GOING TO TALK FIRST.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MR. MAYOR, WE INDEED ARE CONCERNED. WE'VE LEARNED OVER THE PAST 10 YEARS THAT NEARLY 80 PERCENT OF ALL STORM RELATED DEATHS ARE DUE TO FLOODING. WE'VE ALSO LEARNED THAT NOW THE GREATEST THREAT IN A TROPICAL SYSTEM IS NO LONGER SURGE AT THE COAST, IT'S THE INLAND FLOODING THAT WE HERE IN CENTRAL TEXAS ARE ALL SO FAMILIAR WITH. WE'RE IN A DROUGHT, BUT WE'RE SEEING SOME TRENDS THAT ARE CONCERNING US AS WELL. FIRST OF ALL, WE'RE MOVING INTO THE TIME OF YEAR THAT'S NORMALLY OUR HEAVIEST RAIN EVENT PERIOD. SECONDLY, WE'RE SEEING HURRICANE SEASON APPROACH. WE REMEMBER WELL WHAT HAPPENED LAST SEASON. THE WORST IN THE HISTORY OF ALL OUR RECORDS. WE ARE GETTING THE FIRST FORECASTS ON THIS SEASON, AND THEY ARE WORSE

THAN THE FIRST FORECASTS FOR LAST SEASON. SO THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE WOULD LIKE TO THANK ITS PARTNER, THE CITY OF AUSTIN, FOR THIS PROCLAMATION, MR. MAYOR, AND FOR ALL THE PROACTIVE WORK THAT YOU DO TO KEEP YOUR CITIZENS SO SAFE. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. CHAP CLAP.

MAYOR, CITY MANAGER, I'D LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK A VERY SPECIAL PERSON THAT COULDN'T BE HERE TONIGHT, THAT'S LYNN LIGHTSEY, OUR PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER IN THE WATERSHED PROTECTION AND DEVELOPMENT REVIEW DEPARTMENT. SHE HAS BACKED UP OUR EFFORTS OVER THE LAST FIVE YEARS. WE'VE BEEN HOSTING A FULL WEEK OF ACTIVITIES IN LATE MAY, OUTREACH ACTIVITIES, AND THIS YEAR THEY'RE SCHEDULED FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 20TH THROUGH MAY 26TH. A COUPLE OF YEARS AGO WE HOSTED THE WORLD PREMIER OF THE DOCUMENTARY FLASH FLOOD ALLEY THAT WAS DEVELOPED BY MARSHAL FRAK THAT WAS SEEN ON KLRU AND PBS NATIONWIDE OVER THE LAST YEAR. SOME OF YOU MAY HAVE SEEN THAT. AND IT BACKS UP THE STATEMENTS THAT MR. EBLEN JUST MADE THAT WE DO LIVE IN AN AREA OF VERY SIGNIFICANT FLOOD RISK, AND THE STORM WE HAD SUNDAY NIGHT GOT OUR ATTENTION. WE'VE BEEN IN THE MIDDLE OF AN EXTREME DROUGHT. IF YOU'VE BEEN PAYING ATTENTION, YOU KNOW WE HAVEN'T GOTTEN A LOT OF RAIN LATELY. THAT STORM SUNDAY NIGHT WE HAD PEOPLE UP THROUGH THE EVENING MONITORING IT. LUCKILY WE DIDN'T GET INTO ANY VERY SERIOUS CONDITIONS, BUT IT DID GET OUR ATTENTION. I WANT TO RECOGNIZE THE EFFORTS OF OUR ENGINEERS THAT MAN OUR FLOOD WARNING SYSTEM, STEVE COLLIER'S STAFF, AUSTIN FIRE AND POLICE WHO WORK WITH US DILIGENTLY DURING THESE EVENTS TO EVACUATE PEOPLE, TO CLOSE ROADS WHEN APPROPRIATE. AND THE LONGER THIS DROUGHT GOES ON, TYPICALLY THEY'RE BROKEN WITH VERY SEVERE STORM EVENTS. WE WILL BE GEARED UP FOR THAT, BUT WE ARE ASKING THE COMMUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN OUR OUTREACH ACTIVITIES. DON'T DRIVE THROUGH LOW WATER CROSSINGS WHEN THEY'RE FLOODING, EVEN IF IT LOOKS LIKE JUST A FEW INCHES OF WATER. WATER EXERTS A HUGE FORCE ON AN OBJECT

MOVING AT A RIGHT ANGLE TO IT. ALSO PAY ATTENTION TO THE LOCAL MEDIA. WE WORK THROUGH THE MEDIA TO GET WARNINGS OUT. AND KEEP THOSE WEATHER RADIOS ON. [ APPLAUSE ]

Mayor Wynn: MY LAST PROCLAMATION BEFORE WE HAVE A SPECIAL AWARD, THIS REGARDS MENTAL RETARDATION AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY AWARENESS MONTH. I'M JOINED BY SUSAN EASON WHO WILL SAY A FEW WORDS AFTER I READ THE PROCLAMATION. I'LL JUST SAY THAT THIS PAST COUPLE OF YEARS HAS BEEN BOTH EYE OPENING, BUT REWARDING FOR ME PERSONALLY AS WE HAVE DEVELOPED THE MAYOR'S MENTAL HEALTH TASKFORCE TO ADDRESS WHAT IS A VERY FRAGMENTED, POORLY SERVED MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM THROUGHOUT THIS COMMUNITY. AND IT'S A STATEWIDE, REALLY A NATIONWIDE PROBLEM. BUT THE GOOD NEWS IS THERE ARE A LOT OF REALLY STRONG PROFESSIONALS WHO ARE HELPING US DEAL WITH THE SITUATION. IN FACT, BEFORE I START I WOULD LIKE TO ASK COUNCILMEMBER MCCRACKEN TO COME FORWARD TO SAY A FEW WORDS AND ACTUALLY READ THE PROCLAMATION AND INTRODUCE SUSAN. COUNCILMEMBER?

McCracken: THIS IS A CHANCE TO HONOR SOMEONE WHO I REALLY ADMIRE, SUSAN EASON. I'LL JUST JUMP RIGHT INTO THE PROCLAMATION. BE IT KNOWN THAT WHEREAS MENTAL RETARDATION FEAGHTS MORE THAN 7 MILLION AMERICANS AND THEIR FAMILIES AND A SPECIAL MONTH IS SET ASIDE TO DRESS INCREASE THE PUBLIC'S AWARENESS AND UNDERSTANDING. WHEREAS THE ARC OF THE CAPITAL AREA STRIVES TO HELP PERSONS WITH MENTAL RETARDATION OR DEVELOPMENTAL STABILITIES TO ACHIEVE THEIR FULL INDEPENDENCE WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY AND WHEREAS 100,000100,000 MEMBERS IN 900 CHAPTERS OF THE ARC HAVE UNDERTAKEN PUBLIC AWARENESS AND FUND-RAISING THIS MONTH TO ENSURE THAT THOSE PEOPLE CAN BECOME VIBRANT CONTRIBUTORS TO THE OVERALL LIFE OF OUR NATION. NOW THEREFORE I, WILL WYNN, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, DOES HERE BY PROCLAIM MARCH 2006 AS MENTAL RETARDATION AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY AWARENESS MONTH IN AUSTIN, TEXAS. SUSAN?

THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ] IKS I WANT TO THANK ALL OF THE

CITY COUNCILMEMBERS FOR THEIR ONGOING SUPPORT FOR THE ISSUES OF PEOPLE WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND MENTAL RETARDATION. MANY TIMES THE FOLKS THAT WE SERVE ARE OFTEN A HIDDEN AND INVISIBLE POPULATION AND OUR JOB IS TO BRING THEIR ISSUES TO THE FOREFRONT AND BECOME THEIR ADVOCATES BECAUSE THEY CAN BE CONTRIBUTING LONG-LASTING MEMBERS OF OUR SOCIETY AND WE BELIEVE ALL PEOPLE HAVE WORTH IN OUR COMMUNITY. SO I REALLY WANT TO THANK EVERYONE AT THE CITY OF AUSTIN FOR THEIR RECOGNITION AND SUPPORT OF OUR CLIENTS THROUGHOUT THE YEARS. AND I'M VERY PROUD TO INTRODUCE OUR CURRENT BOARD CHAIR, MR. BILL KUHL. AND OUR INCOMING BOARD CHAIR, MR. FRANK McHAM MIT. THANK YOU SO MUCH. [ APPLAUSE ]

Mayor Wynn: NOW I'D LIKE TO ASK THE MAYOR PRO TEM DANNY THOMAS TO START OFF A VERY SPECIAL CEREMONY. MAYOR PRO TEM?

WE'RE ARGUING OFER THERE BECAUSE THERE ARE SO MANY OF US THAT WANT TO GET STARTED ON THIS ONE. THIS IS A VERY SPECIAL PRESENTATION THAT WE'RE ABOUT TO CLOSE OUT HERE WITH TONIGHT. I'D LIKE TO START WITH INTRODUCING OUR MAYOR PRO TEM TO GIVE A SPECIAL PROCLAMATION AND THEN I'M GOING COME BACK UP AND SAY A FEW WORDS BEFORE I TURN THIS BACK OVER TO OUR CHIEF OF POLICE. BUT LET'S CHART WITH OUR MAYOR PRO TEM, DANNY THOMAS. [ APPLAUSE ]

Thomas: THIS IS TRULY A BLESSED DAY IN THE GREAT CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS. AND IT'S AN HONOR AND A PRIVILEGE FOR ME TO STAND HERE AND RECOGNIZE SOMEONE THAT HAS BEEN VERY INSTRUMENTAL IN MY LIFE. I'VE KNOWN THIS GENTLEMAN, THIS YOUNG MAN, FOR MANY YEARS WHEN I WAS GROWING UP IN EAST AUSTIN. ALSO WE ATTENDED CHURCH TOGETHER. I BUGGED HIM TO DEATH WHEN HE WAS IN RECRUITING TO RECRUIT ME AS A POLICE OFFICER. BUT LET ME TELL YOU SOMETHING ABOUT THIS TRAIL BLAZER. CAPTAIN WHITE WAS A GENTLEMAN THAT HAS ALWAYS HAD THE HEARTS OF PEOPLE. AT THIS TIME WHEN HE CAME TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT HE COULDN'T EVEN ARREST A WHITE MAN. HE HAD TO CALL SOMEBODY TO PICK THE PRISONER UP. THROUGH THE TRAIL BLAZING AND

THE TIME AT THE AUSTIN POLICE DEPARTMENT, HE OPENED DOORS FOR PEOPLE LIKE ME AND THE OFFICERS AND HE WAS PROMOTED TO ASSISTANT CHIEF, LIEUTENANT, COMMANDERS, ALSO SERGEANTS. BUT ALSO HE HAD TWO OTHER PEOPLE THAT STOOD BY HIS SIDE AND THE GREAT FIGHT THAT THEY HAD IN THE AUSTIN POLICE DEPARTMENT. SO A LOT OF STORIES HAVE NEVER BEEN TOLD, BUT YOU OUGHT TO HEAR SOME OF THE STORIES THAT THESE THREE GENTLEMEN WENT THROUGH. WE ARE HONORING ONE GENTLEMAN TONIGHT. I DO WANT TO RECOGNIZE CAPTAIN JOHN VASQUEZ. WOULD HE STAND? [ APPLAUSE ] SOMEBODY ELSE IN RECRUITING MINORITIES WAS CAPTAIN JOHN VASQUEZ, BUT SOMEBODY ELSE THAT WAS THERE THAT WOULD NOT BRING UP THE REAR, BUT HE WOULD BE BESIDE THE REST OF THESE GENTLEMAN, AND THAT'S CAPTAIN FREDDIE MAXWELL. WOULD YOU STAND? [ APPLAUSE ] THIS IS REALLY WELL OVERDUE. WE WILL HAVE TO PUT REALITY WHAT HAPPENED IS THAT WHEN THIS CAPTAIN WHITE RECEIVES THIS AWARD IT WASN'T APPROPRIATELY GIVEN TO HIM. BUT TODAY WE CAN HONOR YOU. WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE STILL HERE WITH US. I WANT YOU TO COME AND I'M GOING TO LET YOU STAND A LITTLE BIT, CAPTAIN, THEN YOU CAN SIT BACK DOWN. BUT CAPTAIN LOUIE WHITE, WOULD YOU STAND FOR THE CAPTAIN TO COME FORWARD? [ APPLAUSE ] IT SAYS, FOR 29 YEARS AND EIGHT MONTHS OF PUBLIC SERVICE WITH THE AUSTIN POLICE DEPARTMENT, DURING WHICH TIME HE DEMONSTRATED AND COMMITTED, DEDICATED IN EXCELLENCE AND SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITY, CAPTAIN LOUIE WHITE IS DESERVING OF PUBLIC ACCLAIM AND RECOGNITION THROUGHOUT HIS YEARS AS A POLICE OFFICER, CAPTAIN WHITE BROKE BARRIERS AND ERASED STEREOTYPES, THERE BY OPENED PATHWAYS FOR OTHER AFRICAN-AMERICANS TO SERVE OUR CITY. HIS TENURE IN THE TRAINING AND IN THE TRAINING ACADEMY SET HIGH STANDARDS FOR EMBRACING DIVERSITY. CAPTAIN WHITE, IS ESPECIALLY DESERVING THE RECOGNITION AND ACCOMMODATIONS FOR HIS ACTION IN 1972 WHEN HE SAVED THE LIVES OF SEVERAL CITIZENS. PUTTING HIS LIFE ON THE LINE. CAPTAIN WHITE ENTERED A RESIDENCE WHERE AN ARMED ASSAILANT HAD ALREADY WOUNDED ONE PERSON AND HAD FIRED AT TWO OTHERS, INCLUDING

ANOTHER POLICE OFFICER. HE SAVED THE LIFE OF -- I KEEP SAYING SERVED, BUT SAVED THE LIFE OF A HOSTAGE AND PREVENTED THE ASILL LENT FROM WOUNDING OTHERS AND COMMITTING SUICIDE. THIS CERTIFICATE IS PRESENTED WITH OUR GRATITUDE AND ADMIRATION FOR HIS A.P.D. CAREER THIS 23rd DAY OF MARCH, 2006, THE CITY COUNCIL OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, SIGNED BY MAYOR WILL WYNN, NAMES ATTACHED IS THE MAYOR PRO TEM DANNY THOMAS, COUNCILMEMBERS LEE LEFFINGWELL, RAUL ALVAREZ, JENNIFER CIM, BETTY DUNKERLEY AND BREWSTER MCCRACKEN. WE PRESENT THIS TO YOU, CAPTAIN WHITE, AND WITH LOVE AND GOD BLESS YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

YOU HAVE TO EXCUSE ME, I'M HAVING PROBLEMS WITH MY VOICE, BUT I'M GLAD THAT CAPTAIN MAXWELL AND CAPTAIN VASQUEZ WERE STILL ALIVE THAT THEY COULD BE HERE TONIGHT. FOR HAD IT NOT BEEN FOR THEM, I WOULD NOT HAVE RECEIVED THIS AWARD. MY SUPERVISOR DID NOT RECOGNIZE IT AND CAPTAIN VASQUEZ AND CAPTAIN MAXWELL WROTE THIS MEMO IN REGARDS TO IT, AND THE WAY IT WAS PRESENTED TO ME WAS ACTUALLY DISGRACEFULFUL. IT WAS BROUGHT BACK TO ME AND JUST PUT ON THE DESK AND SAID CONGRATULATIONS. WHEN THE OFFICERS GET THEIR REWARD, THEIR PICTURES WERE TAKEN, THE NEWS MEDIA WAS CALLED. AND THE SAME THING IS HAPPENING TODAY. THEY STILL GET THEIR PICTURES MADE AND THEY GET THEIR REWARDS. SO I APPRECIATE THIS SO MUCH. MY PASTOR IS HERE. I DON'T WANT TO CALL NAMES, BUT I'M SO HAPPY TO SEE HIM TONIGHT. AND ALL MY FRIENDS. THANK YOU FOR TAKING OUT YOUR BUSINESS SCHEDULE TO SHARE THIS MOMENT WITH ME. [ APPLAUSE ] >>

Thomas: A LOT OF US CALL CAPTAIN WHITE DAD, BUT WE HAVE TO REALIZE THERE'S A GOOD WOMB BESIDE A GOODMAN. I WANT TO RECOGNIZE MOMMA, MRS. LOIS WHITE. WOULD YOU PLEASE STAND? [ APPLAUSE ] NOW WE TURN THIS OVER TO ONE OF THE GREATEST CHIEFS THAT WE HAVE IN TEXAS, AUSTIN AND ALSO IN THE STATE OF TEXAS. I SAY THAT PROUDLY BECAUSE HE IS A GOOD CHIEF. I TURN THE CEREMONY OVER TO NONE OTHER THAN CHIEF STAN KNEE. [ APPLAUSE ]

AS THE CHIEF IS COMING DOWN I'M GOING TO KICK THIS OFF. I'M GOING TO START BY THANKING SOMEONE WHO IS STANDING IN THE BACK BECAUSE WITHOUT A STORY THAT THIS GENTLEMAN SHARED WITH US, WE WOULDN'T HAVE KNOWN TO RIGHT THE WRONG TODAY. SO JEFF TRAVILLION, WHO IS STANDING IN THE BACK, SHARED A STORY WITH ME AWHILE BACK THAT MADE US AWARE FOR THE FIRST TIME THAT THIS HAD OCCURRED. SO I REALLY WANT TO THANK YOU JEFF BECAUSE WITHOUT THAT WE WOULDN'T BE HERE TODAY TO BE ABLE TO RIGHT THIS WRONG. IT WAS A SURPRISING STORY. YOU KNOW, I'VE ALWAYS CONSIDERED CAPTAIN A MENTOR AND I'VE CONSIDERED HIM A PERSONAL HERO FOR A WHOLE VARIETY OF REASONS. YOU KNOW, WHEN YOU KNOW CAPTAIN, YOU KNOW ABOUT HIS ROLE IN THE DEPARTMENT, YOU KNOW HE WAS A TRAIL BLAZER IN RECRUITING. THAT HE WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN BRINGING DIVERSITY INTO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. THAT HE'S KNOWN AS MENTORING YOUNG AFRICAN-AMERICAN OFFICERS AT A TIME WHEN THERE WERE FEW AFRICAN-AMERICAN OFFICERS IN THE DEPARTMENT. AND IF YOU KNOW CAPTAIN YOU KNOW HIS ROLE IN THE COMMUNITY AND YOU KNOW HIS COURAGE AND INTEGRITY, WORKING IN THE COMMUNITY IN CIVIC AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT. BUT -- SO YOU TAKE THOSE THINGS TOGETHER AND YOU KNOW THAT CAPTAIN IS A CHANGE AGENT. AND YOU KNOW ANYONE WHO IS A CHANGE AGENT, YOU KNOW THAT COMES WITH BEING COURAGEOUS. YOU CAN'T BE A CHANGE AGENT WITHOUT HAVING A LOT OF COURAGE. BUT WHAT I DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT CAPTAIN IS THAT OVER 30 YEARS AGO WHEN HE WAS A SERGEANT ON PATROL ON THE STREETS OF AUSTIN THAT HE PERFORMED AN ACT OF HEROISM THAT CONCERNED A.P.D.'S MEDAL OF VALUER AND THAT MEDAL OF VELAR WAS THE FIRST ONE AWARDED TO AN AFRICAN-AMERICAN IN AUSTIN AND IN FACT, WHAT I ALSO DIDN'T KNOW IS THAT AT THAT TIME HE WAS DENIED THE CEREMONY AND CELEBRATION THAT WAS GIVEN TO OFFICERS WHO WIN THAT AWARD. ALTHOUGH IT DIDN'T SURPRISE ME AT ALL THAT HE DISPLAYED THE KIND OF HEROISM TO WIN THAT AWARD, IT DID SURPRISE ME TO FIND THAT THAT HAD OCCURRED TO HIM. SO TODAY WE GET A CHANCE, AND I'M HONORED TO BE ABLE TO BE PART OF IT, TO RIGHT THAT WRONG AND TO GIVE CAPTAIN THE

CEREMONY AND CELEBRATION THAT HE DIDN'T GET 30 YEARS AGO TO HONOR NOT JUST THAT ONE ACT OF HEROISM, BUT A REALLY EXTRAORDINARY CAREER AND CONTRIBUTION IN OUR COMMUNITY. AND WITH THAT CHIEF STAN KNEE. [ APPLAUSE ] (BAG PIPES PLAYING).

RETIRED CAPTAIN WHITE, IT'S AN HONOR FOR ME TO BE AMONG SO MANY POLICE OFFICERS, COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND YOURSELF HERE TONIGHT. IT HAS BEEN BROUGHT TO MY ATTENTION THAT IN 1973 AS A POLICE SERGEANT YOU WERE AWARDED THIS DEPARTMENT'S HIGHEST AWARD, THE MEDAL OF VALUER VALOR ARE, IT'S ALSO BEEN BROUGHT TO MY ATTENTION THAT THE PRESENTATION OF THIS MEDAL WAS ACCOMPLISHED WITHOUT DUE CEREMONY OR COMMUNITY RECOGNITION. I WILL NOT SPECULATE AS TO WHY THIS OCCURRED, ALTHOUGH 33 YEARS HAVE PASSED AS AUSTIN'S CHIEF OF POLICE I CAN AND WILL DO SO TODAY, AUTHORIZE THE PRESENTATION OF THE MEDAL OF VALOR IN A CEREMONY BE FITTING THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS AWARD AND THE COURAGE YOU DISPLAYED IN DISARMING A VIOLENT PERSON AND RESOLVING A TENSE SITUATION WITHOUT LOSS OF LIFE. COMMANDER OLIVER, PLEASE READ THE CITATION.

IN SEPTEMBER 1972, THEN SERGEANT LOUIE WHITE RESPONDED AS A BACKUPFER TO A HOSTAGE SITUATION. A WOMAN WAS HOLDING ANOTHER WOMAN HOSTAGE IN HER HOME. THE SUSPECT HAD FIRED SHOTS AT OFFICERS AND OTHER RESIDENTS OF THE HOME. SERGEANT WHITENTERRED THE RESIDENCE AND MADE CONTACT. HE ARRANGED FOR THE WOMAN TO SPEAK TO A FAMILY MEMBER AND BEGAN A DIALOGUE WITH HER TO DIFFUSE THE SITUATION. AFTER APPROXIMATELY 50 MINUTES DURING WHICH THE HOSTAGE TAKER HAD A GUN POINTED AT HIM, SERGEANT WHITE PERSUADED THE WOMAN TO RELEASE THE HOSTAGES, HAND OVER HER WEAPON AND SURRENDER. FOR DISPLAYING EXCEPTIONAL AL BRAVERY AND COURAGEOUS ACTION, RISKING LIFE OR SERIOUS BODILY INJURY IN THE PERFORMANCE OF DUTY, THERE BY EARNING HIGH HONOR AND DISTINCTION AND BRINGING FAVORABLE RECOGNITION TO THE DEPARTMENT, RETIRED CAPTAIN LOUIE WHITE HAS CONFERRED THE AUSTIN POLICE

DEPARTMENT'S MEDAL OF VALOR. [ APPLAUSE ]

JUST FOR HISTORY'S SAKE, CAPTAIN JOHN VASQUEZ AND CAPTAIN JOHN MAXWELL, WE WERE THE FIRST MINORITY, SERGEANTS, LIEUTENANTS AND CAPTAINS IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. WE ACTUALLY TORE THE WALL DOWN ON THE SEGREGATION. [ APPLAUSE ]

THERE'S MORE!

CAPTAIN, YOU'VE WAITED 33 YEARS. WE WANT TO MAKE SURE WE GOT EVERYTHING OUT. AT THIS TIME I'D LIKE TO TURN IT OVER TO THE ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER, RUDY GARZA.

CAPTAIN WHITE, I'M ALSO VERY, VERY HONORED TO BE PART OF THIS. AND I'VE HAD A CHANCE TO VISIT WITH CAPTAIN VASQUEZ AND I WAS JUST SO PROUD TO KNOW THAT WE HAVE PEOPLE LIKE YOU TO OPEN UP DOORS FOR US. AND YOU'VE MADE SUCH A DIFFERENCE TO OUR COMMUNITY NOW AND FOR YEARS TO COME. AND TODAY WE JUST TAKE ANOTHER STEP TOWARDS WHERE WE SHOULD BE AS A COMMUNITY. AND BECAUSE IN ALL OUR EYES IT WILL ALWAYS BE FOREVER YOUNG. I'D LIKE TO ASK THE CAPTAINS TO COME JOIN ME DOWN HERE. BACK WHEN YOU WERE A YOUNG WHIPPER SNAPPER, HERE'S A PICTURE OF YOU. AND THIS IS IN YOUR HONOR, AND THE PLAQUE READS, CAPTAIN LOUIE WHITE, IN APPRECIATION AND GRATITUDE FOR YOUR MANY YEARS OF SERVICE AND MANY YEARS OF SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP IN THIS COMMUNITY, PRESENTED THIS DAY, MARCH 23rd, 2006, CITY OF AUSTIN OF TEXAS, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [ APPLAUSE ]

CAPTAIN WHITE ALSO, I UNDERSTAND THE TEXAS PEACE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION, ALONG WITH THE AUSTIN POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION, AT YOUR RECEPTION ACROSS THE HALL WILL BE PRESENTING YOU WITH AN ADDITIONAL AWARD. WE WANT TO THANK THEM FOR THEIR RECOGNITION OF ALL YOUR EFFORTS. I DO WANT TO INVITE EVERYBODY TO OUR RECEPTION ACROSS THE HALL TO SPEND A FEW MINUTES WITH CAPTAIN WHITE. AGAIN, THANK Y'ALL VERY MUCH. [ APPLAUSE ]

Mayor Wynn: AND THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING WILL RESUME AFTER A SHORT BREAK. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

Mayor Wynn: WE TOOK UP ITEM NUMBER 49 RELATED TO SAVE OUR SPRINGS VERSUS THE CITY OF AUSTIN. WE HAVE ENDED THAT DISCUSSION FOR THE EVENING. WE'RE NOW BACK IN OPEN SESSION. AND WE HAVE ONE ZONING CASE STILL TO BE HEARD CASE Z-8, I BELIEVE. MR. GREG GUERNSEY.

MAYOR, WE HAVE ONE OTHER ZONING ITEM. WE HAVE Z-8, WHICH IS A PUBLIC HEARING ITEM, AND 60, WHICH IS A REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF YOUR FIRST READING ACTION. I DON'T THINK THAT WILL BE TOO LONG. THAT PUBLIC HEARING IS ACTUALLY CLOSED. WE CAN DO THAT ONE FIRST AND GO INTO THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEM.

Mayor Wynn: OKAY.

ITEM NUMBER 60 IS CASE C-14-05-0195. THIS IS A REZONING REQUEST WHICH IS OFFERED ONLY FOR SECOND READING AT 8501 PEACEFUL HILL LANE. THIS IS A REZONING FROM DEVELOPMENT RESERVE, WHICH IS DR ZONING, TO LIMITED INDUSTRIAL SERVICES CONDITIONAL OVERLAY OR LI-CO ZONING. COUNCIL APPROVED THIS ON FIRST READING WITH SOME LIMITATIONS ON USES WHICH BASICALLY PERMIT ALL THE GENERAL COMMERCIAL SERVICES OR CS USES ON THE PROPERTY, BUT PROHIBITING THE FOLLOWING USES, AGRICULTURAL SALES AND SERVICES, BUILDING MAINTENANCE SERVICES, CONSTRUCTION SALES AND SERVICES, DROPOFF RECYCLING, COLLECTION FACILITY, EQUIPMENT REPAIR SERVICES, EQUIPMENT SALES, KENNELS, LAUNDRY SERVICES, VEHICLE STORAGE AND TRANSPORTATION TERMINAL AND TO LIMIT DEVELOPMENT ON THE PROPERTY THAT WOULD NOT GENERATE MORE THAN 300 TRIPS BEYOND THE EXISTING TRIPS THAT ARE BEING GENERATED ON THE PROPERTY. THE APPLICANT REQUESTS RECONSIDERATION OF THIS ITEM AND WOULD ASK THAT BUILDING MAINTENANCE SERVICES AND CONSTRUCTION SALES AND SERVICES BE REMOVED FROM THE LIST OF PROHIBITED USES. THE APPLICANT AND HIS AGENDA ARE HERE THIS EVENING IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HEAR FROM THEM. AS I MENTIONED BEFORE THE PUBLIC

HEARING IS CLOSED, BUT IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, I'LL BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO ANSWER THEM AT THIS TIME.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. GUERNSEY. QUESTIONS OF STAFF, COUNCIL, COMMENTS? COUNCILMEMBER LEFFINGWELL.

Leffingwell: YES, MAYOR. I DON'T WANT TO GO BACK OVER THE HISTORY OF THIS ENTIRE AREA BACK THERE, BUT JUST TO REMIND EVERYONE ONCE AGAIN THAT THEY'VE BEEN OUT THERE FOR A VERY LONG TIME AND THE PROPERTY AROUND THEM WAS DOWN ZONED FOR SINGLE-FAMILY SMART HOUSING PROJECT. AND IN ORDER TO -- THE ONLY REASON THAT THIS PARTICULAR -- THESE ZONING RESTRICTIONS ARE IN PLACE, CORRECT ME IF I'M WRONG, MR. GUERNSEY, IS BECAUSE OF THE SURROUNDING SF-4 ZONING. AND OTHERWISE THEY WOULD BE ABLE TO CONTINUE -- LI PRACTICALLY UNLIMITED, I GUESS, WOULD BE APPROPRIATE CONSIDERING THE PREEXISTING ZONING AROUND THEM. SO I THINK THEY MADE A MODEST REQUEST HERE TO RESTORE THE TWO CS USES, WHICH WOULD -- AS MR. GUERNSEY SAID, BUILDING MAINTENANCE SERVICES AND CONSTRUCTION SALES AND SERVICES IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN THE VALUE OF THEIR PROPERTY AS IT WAS BEFORE THE ADJACENT DOWN ZONING. SO I WOULD MAKE A MOTION TO AMEND THE FIRST READING TO THAT EFFECT.

Mayor Wynn: SO A MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER LEFFINGWELL, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLEY TO APPROVE ON SECOND READING ONLY AMENDED ZONING AMENDING THE CONDITIONAL OVERLAY SPECIFICALLY THE CS USES.

AND TO CLARIFY THAT, MAYOR, IF I MAY, IT'S BASICALLY AMENDING YOUR FIRST READING MOTION TO ADD BACK TWO USES THAT WERE PREVIOUSLY PROHIBITED, THAT BEING BUILDING MAINTENANCE SERVICE AND CONSTRUCTION SALES AND SERVICES NOW BEING PERMITTED USES ON THE PROPERTY.

Mayor Wynn: THAT'S WHAT I MEANT TO SAY, THANK YOU, MR. GUERNSEY. DEAF DEAF THAT'S WHAT I MEANT TO SAY TOO.

Mayor Wynn: COUNCILMEMBER KIM.

Kim: LOOKING AT THIS PROPERTY IT IS A SMART HOUSING DEVELOPMENT THAT IS INSIDE THE CITY. IT HARD TO GET THESE DEVELOPMENTS DONE. I'M OKAY WITH BUILDING MAINTENANCE SERVICES, BUT I DO THINK THAT CONSTRUCTION SALES AND SERVICES SHOULD CONTINUE TO BE A PROHIBITED USE. WITH CONSTRUCTION SALES AND SERVICES, COUNCILMEMBERS, IT IS OFTEN USED BY CONTRACTORS, THAT OPERATE AT ALL HOURS OF THE DAY AND THEY'RE LIKELY TO HAVE LARGE TRUCKS COMING IN AND OUT AT ALL HOURS. THIS WAS IDENTIFIED BY CITY STAFF TO BE AN APPROPRIATE USE NEXT TO SINGLE-FAMILY HOUSING AND I BELIEVE THE CITY HAS A RESPONSIBILITY TO OUR RESIDENTS OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING TO ENSURE THAT THEIR ENVIRONMENT IS SAFE AND FREE OF ANY KIND OF STIGMA. THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING NEEDS TO BE IN AN ENVIRONMENT THAT ONE WOULD HAVE THEIR OWN HOME AND THIS IS A FUTURE USE. IT'S NOT ABOUT THE CURRENT USE. WE HAD TALKED ABOUT ALLOWING THEM TO CONTINUE THEIR CURRENT USE AND I BELIEVE THIS ALLOWS THEM TO DO THAT WITHOUT ADDING CONSTRUCTION SALES AND SERVICES AS AN ALLOWABLE USE. IF WE DO THAT, IT WILL BE NOT ONLY A BLIGHT TO THIS AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECT, BUT IT WILL ALSO PUT THE RESIDENTS THERE AT SOME RISK AS WE HAVE CHILDREN IN THE AREA LIVING NEXT TO AN INTENSE COMMERCIAL USE, INCLUDING LARGE HEAVY EQUIPMENT, AND THE COMPANY WILL STILL BE ABLE TO OPERATE WITH JUST ADDING BACK BUILDING MAINTENANCE SERVICES AS THEY HAVE BEEN AND WILL BE FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE PERIOD THAT THEY ARE THERE. SO I'D LIKE TO MAKE A MOTION TO AMEND THE MOTION -- TO AMEND THE MOTION TO STRIKE BUILDING MAINTENANCE SERVICES -- STRIKE CONSTRUCTION SALES AND SERVICES, BUT MAINTAIN BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES.

Mayor Wynn: SO WE HAVE ACTUALLY I GUESS AN OFFER OF A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT FIRST AND FOREMOST TO THE MAKER OF THE MOTION TO STRIKE AGAIN AND CONTINUE TO RESTRICT AND NOT ALLOW CONSTRUCTION SALES AND SERVICES. COUNCILMEMBER LEFFINGWELL, DO YOU CONSIDER THAT A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT?

Leffingwell: I DON'T CONSIDER IT A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT. AND I WOULD LIKE TO -- I'VE BEEN ADVISED THAT THERE ARE CURRENTLY TWO OTHER LOCATIONS ON PEACEFUL HILL ROAD THAT HAVE THE CONSTRUCTION SALES AND SERVICES OPERATION. CAN YOU VERIFY IF THAT'S TRUE?

WELL, I BELIEVE THAT THE BUILDING USED TO THE SOUTH IS A FIBERGLASS OPERATION, WHICH I BELIEVE IS ALSO MANUFACTURING. AND THERE'S AN IMPOUND FACILITY. THERE MAY BE OTHER NONCONFORMING USES ALONG THE ROADWAY THAT I'M JUST NOT FAMILIAR WITH, BUT THOSE USES WOULD BE MORE INTENSE THAN A CONSTRUCTION SALES AND SERVICE USE, BOTH OF THOSE USES BEING AN LI OR LIMITED INDUSTRIAL SERVICES TYPE USE.

Leffingwell: COULD I ASK THE APPLICANT TO VERIFY THAT STATEMENT?

MY NAME IS PHIL PARKER. THE OTHER TWO USES I'M SPEAKING OF ARE FURTHER NORTH ON PEACEFUL HILL LANE. THEY'RE EXISTING USES. THEY'RE NOT ZONED. THEY ALSO WERE GRANDFATHERED IN. ONE OF THEM IS A CONCRETE CONTRACTOR WHO HAS A COUPLE OF ACRES OF OUTDOOR STORAGE AND LARGE VEHICLES. AND THE OTHER ONE IS A TEMPORARY FENCE COMPANY WHO HAS A STORAGE FACILITY ALSO COMPLETELY OUTDOORS, AND THEY DO RUN LARGE TRUCKS IN AND OUT. THEY ARE ACROSS THE STREET FROM A RESIDENTIAL AREA, A ZONED NEIGHBORHOOD, AND TO MY KNOWLEDGE THERE'S NEVER BEEN A COMPLAINT. AND ON OUR CASE TO REITERATE, THIS WOULDN'T BE AN ISSUE HAD CITY COUNCIL NOT DOWNZONED THE PROPERTY NEXT TO US. THE SINGLE-FAMILY HOUSES THAT WERE WEIRD ABOUT AT THIS TIME DON'T -- WE'RE WORRIED ABOUT AT THIS TIME DON'T EXIST, AND THE USES THAT WE'RE ASKING TO HAVE ADDED BACK ARE LESS INTENSE THAN OUR CURRENT USE. WE INTEND TO BE IN OUR CURRENT USE FOR A VERY LONG TIME. THIS ZONING REQUEST WE HAVE IN THIS EVENING IS NOT ABOUT WHAT WE'RE DOING CURRENTLY, IT'S ABOUT THE VALUE OF OUR PROPERTY IN THE FUTURE. SHOULD WE SELL THE PROPERTY AND HOPEFULLY IT WOULD BE TO A CS USER. THAT WOULD BE WHERE MOST OF THE VALUE WOULD COME FROM? THEY'RE GOING TO BE LESS INTENSE THAN WHAT

WE'RE DOING NOW. WHAT THAT WOULD MEAN TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD IS THAT THEY'RE NOT GOING TO HAVE US AS A NEIGHBOR. THEY'LL HAVE SOMEONE ELSE WHO IS GOING TO BE LESS NOISY, NOT OPERATE AS LONG OF HOURS AND BE -- I DON'T KNOW IF YOU WOULD SAY A BETTER NEIGHBOR, BUT CERTAINLY THEY'RE NOT GOING TO BE AS LOUD. THIS ALL CAME OUT DURING OUR PRELIMINARY ZONING WHEN WE DISCUSSED THE ISSUES THAT WE HAVE AND THIS COUNCIL WENT SO FAR AS TO PUT IN NOISE ABATEMENT TO THE HOUSES WHICH SURROUND US BECAUSE IT WAS KNOWN AT THAT TIME THAT HOUSES WERE BEING PLACED NEXT TO AN INTENSELY LOUD INDUSTRIAL USER, BEING US. [ONE MOMENT, PLEASE, FOR CHANGE IN CAPTIONERS] [ONE MOMENT, PLEASE, FOR CHANGE IN CAPTIONERS] >>

Alvarez: QUESTION FOR STAFF ON THE GRANDFATHERING ISSUE. IF -- BECAUSE I KNOW THAT IT'S -- YOU KNOW WHAT'S GRANDFATHERED IS THE EXISTING USE OR ACTIVITY THAT'S IN PLACE. BUT IF -- IF THERE IS A NEW OR DIFFERENT TYPE OF COMMERCIAL USE OR ACTIVITY, THAT IS -- THAT IS THE PROPERTY'S SOLD YOU HAVE A NEW OPENER, A NEW ACTIVITY, DO THEY HAVE TO COMPLY WITH COMPATIBILITY STANDARDS OR IS THAT ALSO IN THE GRANDFATHERING, THAT PART OF THE GRANDFATHERING REMAINS IN PLACE OR HOW ASK THAT WORK?

WELL, THE PROPERTY WOULD BE SUBJECT AND IS SUBJECT TODAY TO COMPATIBILITY STANDARDS. SO CRIPPEN SHEET METAL WANTED TO BUILD A NEW BUILDING, EXPAND THEIR PARKING LOT TO THE REAR BETWEEN THEIR EXISTING BUILDING AND THE HOMES, THEY MAY HAVE TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL SCREENING, THEY WOULD HAVE TO COMPLY WITH THE SETBACKS FOR OUR PARKING AREA OR BUILDING STRUCTURE. SO YES THEY WOULD BE SUBJECT TO COMPATIBILITY. A FUTURE PROPERTY OWNER, IF THEY WERE TO PURCHASE IT, AND DEVELOP IT WITH ANOTHER SAY CS USE OR GR OR SOMETHING, SOME OTHER USE, THEY WOULD ALSO BE SUBJECT TO COMPATIBILITY FOR ANY NEW BUILDINGS OR NEW PARKING AREAS.

BUT I THINK SOME OF THE EXISTING STRUCTURES, THE

CAPABILITY, AM I THINKING OF A DIFFERENT TRACT.

IF THEY WERE SIMPLY TO MOVE IN THE BUILDING, WE WOULDN'T ASK THEM TO OBTAIN ANY WAIVERS BEFORE THEY CAN PULL THEIR BUILDING PERMITS, BECAUSE THE BUILDING IS A PREEXISTING USE. IF THEIR PARKING IS NOT SCREENED, THEY WERE UTILIZING THAT SAME PARKING SPACE THAT WAS THERE BEFORE OR IF THEY WERE -- IF THEY WERE UTILIZING A PARKING AREA, IT MAY BE TOO CLOSE TO THE ADJACENT SINGLE FAMILY, THEY WOULD NOT HAVE TO RELOCATE THE PARKING SPACES MAINLY BECAUSE OF A USE CHANGE, BECAUSE IT WOULD BE A PREEXISTING FACILITY.

OKAY. THANK YOU.

FURTHER QUESTIONS, COMMENTS? MR. BENNETT WAS JUST REMINDING ME THAT MAIN STREET, THE ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNER WAS REQUIRED TO BUILD A HIGHER FENCE TO PROVIDE SCREENING FROM THIS PARTICULAR PROPERTY.

JUST A REMINDER, WE HAVE A MOTION AND A SECOND ON THE TABLE FOR SECOND READING ONLY, CORRECT MR. GUERNSEY?

THAT'S CORRECT.

FURTHER QUESTIONS, COMMENTS? HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

Wynn: OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF OF --

WHAT ARE WE VOTING ON, MY MOTION OR --

I'M SORRY, YOUR MOTION WAS NOT ACCEPTED AS FRIENDLY, I'M SORRY, YOU'RE RIGHT. YOU HAD THE OPPORTUNITY I GUESS TO MAKE A -- MAKE A MOTION TO AMEND. OR A SUBSTITUTE MOTION. BUT --

Kim: OKAY. LET'S JUST VOTE ON THE MAIN MOTION.

Mayor Wynn: ALL IN FAVOR OF COUNCILMEMBER  
LEFFINGWELL'S MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER  
DUNKERLY SECOND READING ONLY, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR  
PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

Wynn: OPPOSED? >

MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF SECOND READING ON A  
VOTE OF 5 TO 1, WITH COUNCILMEMBER KIM VOTING NO.  
AND MAYOR PRO TEM? OKAY. SO 6-1 WITH COUNCILMEMBER  
KIM VOTING NO. SECOND READING ONLY.

LET ME GO ON TO OUR NEXT ITEM. OUR NEXT ITEM IS A  
PUBLIC HEARING ITEM, THIS IS ITEM NO. Z-8. THIS IS CASE C  
14-05-0151. KNOWN AS THE FLEX 15 PROPERTY LOCATED AT  
8420 LONGVIEW ROAD. THIS IS A REZONING REQUEST FROM  
RR OR RURAL RESIDENTIAL TO MF 3, WHICH SFANDZ FOR  
FAMILY RESIDENCE MEDIUM DENSITY ZONING. THE ZONING  
AND PLATTING COMMISSION RECOMMENDED TO GRANT MF  
1, CO, WHICH STANDS FOR MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTS,  
LIMITED DENSITY, CONDITIONAL OVERLAY, COMBINING  
DISTRICT ZONING. WITH THEIR RECOMMENDATION, THEY  
RECOMMENDED THAT THE PROPERTY BE LIMITED TO 1,000  
TRIPS, VEHICLE TRIPS PER DAY, A MAXIMUM OF 8 DWELLING  
UNITS PER ACRE, WHICH WOULD EQUATE TO  
APPROXIMATELY 120 DWELLING UNITS, DRIVEWAY, AND  
INGRESS FROM THE PROPERTY TO LONGVIEW ROAD  
SHOULD ONLY BE RIGHT TURN OUT ONLY. AND THE  
DRIVEWAY ACCESS TO CAMERON LOOP, WHICH IS A  
PROPERTY LOCATED TO THE SOUTH, WOULD BE LIMITED TO  
EMERGENCY ACCESS ONLY. THAT HOODED AND SHIELDED  
LIGHTING IS REQUIRED WITHIN 25 FEET OF THE NORTH,  
SOUTH, EAST AND WEST PROPERTY LINES. AND THAT THE  
HEIGHT OF ALL OF THE BUILDINGS BE LIMITED TO TWO  
STORIES OR 28 FEET IN HEIGHT. THAT THERE'S A  
RESTRICTED COVENANT THAT WOULD BE ACCEPTED FOR  
THE CONDITIONS OUTLINED IN THE TRAFFIC IMPACT  
ANALYSIS. THIS PROPERTY IS APPROXIMATELY 15-ACRES  
AND IS LOCATED NORTH OF DAVIS LANE AND WEST OF

BRODIE LANE. THE BARTON SPRINGS ZONE STRADDLES THIS PROPERTY ALONG ITS EASTERN BOUNDARY. AND ITS CURRENTLY DEVELOPED WITH EXISTING SINGLE FAMILY HOMES TO THE NORTH. A NEW -- NEW SMART HOUSING WHICH IS A SINGLE FAMILY SUBDIVISION, WHICH IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION IMMEDIATELY TO THE NORTH, ADJACENT TO LONGVIEW ROAD. THEIR EXISTING SINGLE FAMILY HOMES, TO THE EAST, TO THE SOUTH, THERE WAS SOME -- SOME P PUBLIC SCONED LAND AND SOME ADDITIONAL SINGLE FAMILY HOMES. FURTHER TO THE WEST, WHICH IS ACTUALLY UPSLOPE FROM THIS PROPERTY, IS AN APARTMENT PROJECT. THERE IS A VALID PETITION THAT HAS BEEN FILED IN OPPOSITION TO THIS REZONING REQUEST THAT WAS VALIDATED EARLIER THIS WEEK, IT STANDS AT 24.42% AND WE WOULD OBJECT TO THE MULTI-FAMILY ZONING ON THE PROPERTY OR ANY MULTI-FAMILY ZONING ON THE PROPERTY, HOWEVER THAT THE PETITION WOULD NOT OBJECT TO THE PROPERTY BEING ZONED RR, SF 2, SF 3, SF 4, SF 5 OR SF 6 ZONING. SO IF THE -- IF THE PROPERTY WERE ZONEED ONE OF THOSE PARTICULAR CATEGORIES, WHICH IS MAINLY SINGLE FAMILY OR -- OR CONDOMINIUM TOWNHOUSE TYPE OF ZONING, SF 5 AND SF 6, THAT THE PETITION WOULD NOT BE IN EFFECT. THIS IS READY FOR FIRST READING ONLY THIS EVENING, MAYOR AND COUNCIL. STAFF RECOMMENDED SF 6 CO ZONING. AGAIN, WITH THE -- WITH THE 1,000 TRIP LIMIT, BUT STAFF RECOMMENDED A -- A LIMITATION ON THE NOVEMBER OF DWELLING UNITS TO SEVEN UNITS PER ACRE. WHICH WOULD EQUATE TO APPROXIMATELY 105 UNITS. THE APPLICANT'S REPRESENTATIVE IS HERE AND I BELIEVE, MAYOR, YOU HAVE AT LEAST SEVEN OR EIGHT PEOPLE THAT WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK TO THIS ITEM. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS I WILL BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO ANSWER THEM. AND AT THIS TIME I WILL PAUSE FOR ANY QUESTIONS THAT YOU MAY HAVE.

THANK YOU, MR. GUERNSEY, WE HAVE A DOZEN OR MORE SPEAKERS, IF THAT'S OKAY. QUESTIONS OF STAFF, COUNCIL? IF NOT WE WILL START OUR PUBLIC HEARING, MR. BENNETT, YOU WILL HAVE FIVE MINUTES TO STATE YOUR CASE, THEN WE WILL HEAR FROM FOLKS IN SUPPORT, THOSE FOLKS IN OPPOSITION, THEN A ONE-TIME THREE MINUTE REBUTTAL, WELCOME.

MAYOR, COUNCIL, I'M JIM BENNETT HERE TONIGHT ON BEHALF OF FLEX REALITY'S REQUEST FOR THE REZONING CASE. AS MR. GUERNSEY INDICATED TO COUNCIL WE DO HAVE A VALID PETITION IN THIS CASE OF WHICH THE PETITIONERS HAVE INDICATED THAT THEY WOULD BE OPPOSED TO ANY ZONING OTHER THAN THE RR, SF 2, SF 3, SF 4, SF 5, OR SF 6 ZONING. WE ARE AT THIS TIME PREPARED TO PRESENT TO COUNCIL THAT WE WOULD BE DESIROUS TO AMEND OUR APPLICATION TO AN SF 6 CLASSIFICATION, WITH A SAME CONDITIONAL OVERLAYS IMPOSED BY THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION, HOWEVER, WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE COUNCIL CONSIDER EIGHT UNITS PER ACRE, WHICH WOULD GIVE US 120 UNITS ON -- ON 15 ACRES OF GROUND. THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION TO YOU WAS MF 1 WITH 8 UNITS PER ACRE. SO WE AMEND IT TO SF 6, EIGHT UNITS PER ACRE, SAME CONDITIONAL OVERLAYS AS IMPOSED BY ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION. JUST REAL BRIEFLY, COUNCIL, WE DID MEET WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION TO THE SOUTH. WE DO HAVE A PRIVATE AGREEMENT WITH THAT NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. AT THAT MEETING THERE WERE OTHER NEIGHBORS FROM THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES THAT MET AS WELL. AND AT THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION MEETING THERE WERE -- NO ONE WAS THERE IN OPPOSITION TO THE REQUEST. THE PETITION RECEIVED BY STAFF WAS RECEIVED TUESDAY. IF THE AMENDED APPLICATION TO SF 6, 8 UNITS PER ACRE WITH THE ADDITIONAL CONDITIONAL OVERLAYS THAT WE HAVE AGREED WITH ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION AND WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, WE THINK THAT IT'S STILL A VIABLE PROJECT AND WE CAN GO FORWARD. WE WOULD REQUEST THAT COUNCIL LOOK AT THOSE CONDITIONAL OVERLAYS AND THE EIGHT UNITS AND THE SF 6 AND APPROVE THE SF 6 ZONING. PART OF OUR AGREEMENTS ARE THAT WE HAVE -- WE HAVE AGREED TO HAVE A RIGHT IN, RIGHT OUT SO WE CAN DIRECT THE FLOW OF TRAFFIC. ADDITIONALLY TO TRY TO PUT THE DETENTION PONDS ON THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE SITE. WHICH -- WHICH HAS A LESS IMPACT ON ANYONE FROM THE BEST THAT WE CAN TELL. THAT STILL HAS TO BE PROVED OUT IN THE SITE PLAN STAGE. THIS PROPERTY DOES HAVE A PIPELINE THAT GOES THROUGH IT ON THE SOUTH PORTION

OF THE PROPERTY. IT GOES FROM EAST TO WEST. WE ARE IN TWO WATERSHEDS. WILLIAMSONSWILLIAMSON CREEK AND BOGGY CREEK WATERSHED. WE HAVE AGREED TO LIMIT THE HEIGHT TO 28 FEET FOR ANY BUILDINGS ON THE PERIMETER OF THE SITE AND TWO STORIES IN HEIGHT. AND WE WOULD REQUEST THAT COUNCIL CONSIDER THOSE CONDITIONAL OVERLAYS AND AGREEMENTS, CONSIDER THE SF 6, 8 UNIT PER ACRE, AND APPROVE THIS ZONING. I WILL BE AVAILABLE SHOULD YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.

THANK YOU, MR. BENNETT. COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLY?

IF WE WERE TO GO WITH THE -- WITH THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION, WITH THE SF 6 ZONING, AND THE 8 UNITS PER ACRE, WILL THAT PORTION OF THIS -- OF THIS LAND THAT'S IN THE WATER QUALITY ZONE STILL BE ABLE TO MEET THE -- THE S.O.S. REQUIREMENTS ON THAT PORTION?

YES, MA'AM.

WITH EIGHT UNITS.

YES.

OKAY.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. BENNETT. QUESTIONS OF THE APPLICANT, COUNCIL?

COUNCILMEMBER LEFFINGWELL?

I HAVE ONE OF THE STAFF. THE STAFF RECOMMENDED SEVEN UNITS PER ACRE, THEY ARE NOW OFFERING SF 6 WITH THE LIMIT OF 8 UNITS PER ACRE. IS -- IS THAT WITHIN THE PARAMETERS OF SF 6 ZONING, HOW MANY UNITS PER ACRE WOULD BE ALLOWED ONSOME 6.

UNDER JUST REGULAR SF 6 APPROXIMATELY 12.7 UNITS PER ACRE GROSS.

SO THEY ARE WELL BELOW THE MAXIMUM.

THAT'S BELOW WHAT WOULD BE NORMALLY ALLOWED  
INSOME 6.

Leffingwell: OKAY, THANKS.

Mayor Wynn: FURTHER QUESTIONS? IF NOT WE WILL GO TO  
OUR CITIZENS SPEAKER, WE WILL START WITH THOSE FOLKS  
WHO SUPPORT THE ZONING. SORRY MR. BENNETT, THERE  
ARE NONE. WE WILL NOW GO TO -- TO THOSE FOLKS IN  
OPPOSITION. OUR FIRST SPEAKER, LOOKS LIKE VELMA  
CASTRO, SO IF I'M MISPRONOUNCED THAT. WE HAVE  
TROUBLE WITH THE SIGN UPSYSTEM. VELMA, WELCOME,  
THREE MINUTES, YOU WILL GO FOR FOLLOWED BY BRENT  
COWLY, FOLLOWED BY WALTER WALLACE.

HELLO, THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME SPEAK, I'M VELMA  
CASTRO, I LIVE AT 8407 LONGVIEW, RIGHT ACROSS ON THE  
EAST SIDE OF -- OF THE PROPOSED AREA. AND I'M AGAINST -  
- I WANT THE SMALLEST AMOUNT OF SINGLE FAMILY UNITS  
BEING PUT IN. ONE OF THE MAIN REASONS FOR ME  
ESPECIALLY IS THAT LONGVIEW IS 18 FEET WIDE, TRAFFIC IS  
-- IT'S A VERY BUSY STREET. IT'S VERY DIFFICULT TO -- TO  
PASS ANOTHER CAR, EVEN ON THE STREET. I ALWAYS HAVE  
TO PAUSE, MAKE SURE THAT I HAVE ENOUGH ROOM AND  
ANOTHER CAR CAN COME BY. BUSES ARE NOW BEING  
TRANSPORTED ON LONGVIEW AND THEY START AT 5:30  
BECAUSE THEY WAKE ME UP EVERY MORNING. AND THEY  
ARE ABOUT EIGHT FEET WIDE. THEY DO NOT RUN ON THE  
VERY EDGE OF THE STREET, SO FROM SAFETY FACTOR, I -- I  
DON'T THINK THAT ADDITIONAL VEHICLES ARE NEEDED ON A  
ROAD THAT NARROW.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER IS BRENT COWLY.  
SORRY IF I'M MISPRONOUNCING THAT. SANDRA SANTOS.  
OUR RULES ARE THAT YOU HAVE TO BE PRESENT IN THE  
AUDITORIUM IN ORDER TO DONATE YOUR TIME, WHICH YOU  
ARE. THANK YOU, SO GREAT YOU WILL HAVE UP TO SIX  
MINUTES IF YOU NEED IT, WELCOME.

THANK YOU, MAYOR. THANK YOU, COUNCILMEMBERS. I AM  
ALSO OPPOSED TO SF 6 ACTUALLY AS WELL. THE MAIN  
THING BEING SAFETY AND TRAFFIC. LONGVIEW IS A VERY  
NARROW STREET, AS SHE SAID IT'S REALLY HARD TO PASS

CARS. THE CONDITIONAL THING WITH THE RIGHT-HAND TURN ONLY LEAVING IS ONLY GOING TO DIRECT TRAFFIC TO CAMERON. WHICH CAMERON ROAD THERE'S ACCIDENTS PROBABLY EVERY OTHER WEEK THERE SEEMS LIKE OR AT LEAST THE SKID -- THE SKID THINGS THAT I HEAR WOULD INDICATE THAT. CAMERON HAS A REAL DANGEROUS CURVE GOING RIGHT. THAT WOULD BE THE ONLY ACCESS TO BRODIE LANE. THE ONLY OTHER EXIT WOULD BE GOING TO WESTGATE. I JUST THINK THAT IT'S GOING TO BE CREATING A REALLY DANGEROUS SITUATION IN THAT RESPECT. THE OTHER THING WOULD BE THE DRAINAGE THAT I'M CONCERNED ABOUT. THE HIGHEST ELEVATION OF THE PROPOSED PROPERTY IS 817, MY HOUSE IS 775. SO I'M VERY CONCERNED ABOUT WHERE THE WATER IS GOING TO GO. THERE'S NO GUTTER SYSTEM THERE, THERE'S NO CURB. AND REALLY THE STREET SAYS IT'S 18 FEET WIDE, BUT USABLE PAVEMENT WOULD PROBABLY BE MORE LIKE 16, 16.5. AND I ALSO WANTS TO DEFEND THE CHARACTER AND INTEGRITY OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD. THERE'S NO OTHER MF ZONING OR SF 06 ZONING IN THIS IMMEDIATE AREA OTHER THAN THE APARTMENTS THAT ARE BEHIND THE PROPERTY. WHICH THE ACCESSINGS TO BRODIE. SO THAT'S REALLY NOT GOING TO CREATE A PROBLEM. THE TRAFFIC COUNTS LAST YEAR WERE -- WERE THREE TIMES AS MUCH AS THE ROADS CAN HANDLE AND YOU ALL ARE TALKING ABOUT PUTTING A THOUSAND MORE CARS ON THAT ROAD THAT'S ALREADY VERY DANGEROUS. SO -- SO THAT'S PRETTY MUCH ALL THAT I HAVE TO SAY, IF YOU ALL HAVE ANY QUESTIONS I CAN ANSWER THEM. BUT THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. COWLY. YES. WALTER WALLACE. WELCOME WALTER. LET'S SEE, NICOLE JONES HERE? NICOLE, WELCOME. WALTER YOU WILL HAVE UP TO SIX MINUTES IF YOU NEED IT, FOLLOWED BY SHERYL CAVE.

THANK YOU.

A BRET QUESTIONED WHERE THE WATER IS GOING, I CAN ANSWER THAT. INTO MY FRONT YARD. I LIVE DIRECTLY ACROSS FROM THE NORTHERN BOUNDARY OF THE PROPERTY AT 8401 LONGVIEW. THE -- THE PARCEL ADD JOINING THE WEST SIDE IS CURRENTLY UNDER DEVELOPMENT, TO THE EXTENT THAT IT HAS BEEN

STRIPPED OF VEGETATION AND TREES. THIS HAS BEEN DONE IN THE LAST COUPLE OF MONTHS. AS YOU KNOW WE'VE HAD NO RAIN OF ANY SIGNIFICANCE DURING THAT TIME. SUNDAY WITH ABOUT 1.3 INCHES OF RAINFALL, MY YARD WAS INUNDATED, MY SIDEWALK IS SINKING, IT HAS DEJOINED ITSELF FROM MY FRONT PORCH. AND -- AND WORST THE GROUND WATER TABLE IS ABOUT 8 INCHES UNDER MY PROPERTY. AND INVESTIGATING A SINK HOLE EFFECT I DUG DOWN AND HIT STANDING WATER AT 8-INCHES. I IMMEDIATELY CALLED THE CITY WATER SERVICE, THEY CAME OUT AND INVESTIGATED AND CONFIRMED THAT IT WAS GROUND WATER FLOW, NOT CITY WATER. NOW THIS IS COMING FROM THE ADJACENT PROPERTY. JUST NORTH. BUT THE ELEVATIONS ARE THE SAME, THE LACK OF DRAINAGE IS THE SAME. THERE ARE NO CURBS, ON LONGVIEW. THERE ARE -- THERE ARE NO STORM DRAINS. AND -- AND APPARENTLY FOR THE LAST SIX YEARS, WE'VE HAD A VERY, VERY NARROW BALANCE BETWEEN DISASTER AND EVERYTHING BEING FINE AFTER RAINFALL. THE -- THE CURRENT SITUATION IS CITY PROPERTY AND RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY IS BEING DAMAGED BY RUNOFF, BOTH ABOVE GROUND AND SUBSURFACE, UNDER WASH. LONGVIEW ROAD IS BEING DESTROYED BY UNDERWASH. IT WAS RETOPPED ROUGHLY TWO YEARS AGO, IT'S BREAKING UP ALREADY. THE -- THE SIDEWALKS ARE ABOVE LIKE -- BOTH MY FRONT WALKWAY AND MY NEIGHBORS AT 8403 ARE SINKING IN THE MIDDLE. MY YARD IS VERY, VERY SOFT. SITS THE FIRST OF JANUARY, A CRACK HAS APPEARED IN THE CORNER OF MY FOUNDATION ON THE EXTERIOR. DIAGNOSENALLY ACROSS THE INTERIOR ROOM A CORRESPONDING CRACK HAS APPEARED IN THE WALL. NOW, I REALIZE THIS -- THIS PROPERTY I'M COMPLAINING ABOUT IS NOT THE ONE UNDER CONSIDERATION. BUT IF THE -- IF THE SAME DEVELOPMENTAL PROCEDURE IS ALLOWED ON THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, THE SAME RESULTS WILL FOLLOW. A BAD SITUATION WILL BE NOT ONLY EXACERBATED BUT AUGMENTED. I HAVE FILED COMPLAINTS WITH THE CITY WATERSHED AND DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD, THEY HAVE SENT OUT FOUR INSPECTORS SO FAR. AND THEY ARE STILL TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHAT -- WHAT TO DO ABOUT IT. THEY ARE QUESTIONING WHETHER OR NOT THE -- THE RUNOFF FLOW DIRECTION AND RETENTION POND WAS

PROPERLY CONSTRUCTED ON THE ADJACENT PROPERTY. I AM STRONGLY OPPOSED TO THIS DEVELOPMENT BECAUSE THE HOUSES IMMEDIATELY TO THE EAST WILL BE INUNDATED WHEN THE -- WHEN THE GROUND WATER FLOW IS ALTERED. THANK YOU.

QUESTION FOR --

COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ? MR. WALLACE, A QUESTION.

Alvarez: I'M JUST TRYING TO -- TO JUST BE CLEAR WHERE YOUR PROPERTY IS. I THINK THAT YOU ARE NOT ACTUALLY SHOWN ON THIS PARTICULAR -- OH, IT IS?

[INDISCERNIBLE]

Alvarez: I DON'T KNOW.

TOP HOUSE. 12:00 HIGH. THE NORTHERN BOUNDARY OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS DIRECTLY ACROSS FROM MY FRONT DOOR.

Alvarez: LONGVIEW AND SISKIN AND IT'S ON THE I GUESS THE -- YOU KNOW ON LONGVIEW THAT'S YOUR BACK YARD ARREST OR FRONT?

FRONT YARD.

THAT'S WHERE YOU SEE THE PROBLEMS THAT YOU DESCRIBED IN TERMS OF -- OF -- OF, YOU KNOW, WHEN YOU DUG IN AND --

SUBSURFACE WATER FLOW, YES.

THAT'S IN THE FRONT YARD OR BACK YARD OR --

FRONT YARD.

FRONT YARD ALSO.

FRONT RIGHT.

YOU ARE RIGHT LITERALLY ACROSS THE STREET FROM THE

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT?

YES, SIR.

Alvarez: YOU ARE SAYING THAT THE FLOW OF THE WAY THE DRAINAGE FLOWS IS -- IS TO THE EAST? IS THAT -- TO THE EAST?

TO THE EAST AND TO THE SOUTH.

OKAY.

BOTH EAST AND SOUTH ARE SUBLEVEL TO THE -- TO THE MEAN TOPOGRAPHICCAL LEVEL OF THE CONSTRUCTION SITE.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH. APPRECIATE IT.

THANK YOU, MR. WALLACE. NEXT SPEAKER IS SHERYL CAVE. HELLO, SHERYL. IS MAGDALEN A SANTOS HERE. YOU WILL HAVE UP TO SIX MINUTES IF YOU NEED IT, FOLLOWED BY RAY SANTOS, FOLLOWED BY MARION WHITING.

THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME THIS OPPORTUNITY TONIGHT. I'M VERY MUCH OPPOSED TO THE REZONING. MY MAIN CONCERNS ARE TO DO WITH SAFETY. THE SAFETY OF OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. RIGHT NOW, I'M REALLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE -- ABOUT THE -- JUST VAST AMOUNT OF TRAFFIC THAT WILL BE GENERATED BY THIS PROJECT. ON -- ALONG LONGVIEW AS WELL AS CAMERON ROAD, WHICH ARE AS -- AS WE HAVE DISCUSSED 18 FEET WIDE AND NOT EVEN USABLE AT THAT. WORRIED ABOUT THE -- ABOUT THE PEDESTRIANS, OUR CHILDREN, THERE IS NO SHOULDER TO THIS ROAD. IT IS VERY NARROW. AND AS HE SAID, THE OVERLAY WAS RETOPPED APPROXIMATELY -- A LITTLE LESS THAN TWO YEARS AGO. BECAUSE OF THE IMMENSE AMOUNT OF TRAFFIC, THAT IS ALREADY -- IT WILL SHOW IN THESE PICTURES, THE -- THAT'S NOT A VERY GOOD ONE. THERE ARE SEVERAL POTHOLES AND AS YOU CAN SEE, THE STREET IS -- THEY HAVE JUST REDONE IT IN LESS THAN TWO YEARS AGO, SO MUCH TRAFFIC THAT IT IS ALREADY, YOU KNOW, BROKEN APART, WORN OUT. YOU KNOW, YOU HIT POTHOLES ALL THE WAY UP AND DOWN LONGVIEW ROAD. I

JUST CAN'T IMAGINE THE AMOUNT OF TRAFFIC GENERATED BY 120 UNITS, WHAT THAT WOULD -- WHAT THAT WOULD BRING AS FAR AS, YOU KNOW, SAFETY AND AS SOMEONE STATED EARLIER, AS YOU ARE DRIVING DOWN LONGVIEW ROAD, YOU -- YOU DRIVE ALL THE WAY DOWN LONGVIEW ROAD WITH CAUTION. YOU ARE SLOWING DOWN, YOU ARE LOOKING TO MAKE SURE -- I LIVE ON LONGVIEW ROAD. I'VE HAD PEOPLE TRENCH MY WARD TO AVOID ONCOMING TRAFFIC JUST TRYING TO PASS SOMEONE COMING THE OTHER DIRECTION. THAT HAPPENS ACTUALLY ON A REGULAR BASIS. ALSO, WE DO HAVE SEVERAL -- THERE ARE QUITE A FEW ACCIDENTS AND I HAVE OBTAINED A -- A COLLISION REPORT FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND WHICH SHOWS THAT JUST IN THE PAST TWO YEARS, THERE HAVE BEEN 22 COLLISION CALLS, AT LEAST HALF OF THOSE INVOLVING INJURY. NONE OF THOSE, ACTUALLY IN THE LAST TWO MONTHS, THERE HAVE BEEN TWO THAT AREN'T EVEN RECORDED ON THAT REPORT. I JUST -- I JUST CAN'T EVEN IMAGINE JUST HOW COMPACTED THIS WILL BE WITH THE PROPOSED REZONING. AND I ALSO -- AS I DO LIVE ON LONGVIEW ROAD, THE WAY THAT THE -- THAT THE LAND IS SITUATED AND THE DIFFERENT ELEVATIONS, I'M AT A MUCH - - THE ELEVATION IS MUCH LOWER THAN THE PROPOSED SITE. SO THE RUNOFF WOULD DIRECTLY BE COMING DOWN ACROSS LONGVIEW. INTO -- INTO MY YARD AS WELL. YOU CAN ALREADY SEE THAT, THERE'S A SIDEWALK THAT SETS -- THAT IS OFF THE STREET. RIGHT ALONG OUR HOUSE AND THERE ARE SEVERAL CRACKS ALREADY. YOU KNOW FROM THE WATER. AS HE STATED, THERE REALLY IS NO PLACE FOR THE WATER TO GO. THE -- THE LAND IS PECULIAR, IT IS MADE UP OF A -- OF THE DEL RIO CLAY, SO WHENEVER WE DO HAVE RAINFALL, WHICH, YOU KNOW, WE JUST HAD AN INCH AND A HALF, WHICH ISN'T EVEN A GREAT BIBLICAL AMOUNT, YOU WILL FIND THAT -- THAT THE WATER YOU WILL SEE A FOOT OF WATER THAT WILL SIT THERE FOR A WEEK OR A WEEK AND A HALF BECAUSE IT HAS NO PLACE TO GO. IT'S NOT BEING ABSORBED INTO THE -- IT'S NOT ABSORBED QUICK ENOUGH INTO THE GROUND. I DO SEE THAT AS A BIG PROBLEM. THE WATER IS GOING TO HAVE NO PLACE TO GO. WE HAVE -- THERE'S NO -- THERE'S NO DRAINAGE SYSTEM IN PLACE AND AS THEY HAVE PROPOSED THEIR RETENTION, THE -- THE RETENTION ON THE SOUTHEAST SIDE OF THE

PROPERTY, THAT'S REALLY NOT GOING TO HELP -- IN OUR CASE, OUR LAND IS ACTUALLY SITS LOWER THAN WHERE THEY ARE -- THAN THE SIDE THAT THEY ARE PUTTING THE RETENTION POND. SO ACTUALLY BOTH OF THESE ISSUE, I STRONGLY OPPOSE. I'M -- I'M VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE SAFETY OF OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. THANK YOU, QUESTIONS? THANK YOU RAY SANTOS, WELCOME, RAY, FOLLOWED BY MARION WHITING. WHO WILL BE FOLLOWED BY CYNTHIA LANGDON. THREE MINUTES, WELCOME.

RAY SANTOS, I'M -- MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS, THANK YOU FOR LISTENING TO ME TONIGHT. ALL I'M CONCERNED ABOUT IS THE SAFETY AND ALSO I'M OPPOSED TO WHAT THEY ARE GOING TO DO UP THERE BECAUSE I HAVE LIVED THERE IN THAT AREA FOR THE LAST 15 YEARS AND IT'S BEEN REAL NICE, EVERY TIME IT RAINED IT RUNS REAL QUICK. THIS LAST RAIN WATER STARTED COMING DOWN MORE FASTER THAN IT USUALLY DOES. I LIVE ON CISKIN DRIVE. YOU CAN SEE IT THERE. MY HOUSE IS THE RED CAR ON THE CORNER THERE. I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S A DRIVEWAY OR WHAT, BUT THE DRAINAGE DITCH UP HERE FOR RETENTION. THIS PAST RAIN JUST RAN OUT OF THERE, CAME RUNNING OUT OF THERE SO QUICK. THE STREET, WHERE THEY ARE MAKING I GUESS IT'S THE ENTRANCE TO IT, IS RIGHT THERE, THERE'S A HOME THAT SITS RIGHT IN FRONT OF THERE. THAT'S ALL THAT I WAS REALLY CONCERNED ABOUT. I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE IT CHANGED TO A SINGLE FAMILY HOME, THE AREAS WITH BETTER DRAINAGE, SAFETY FOR EVERYBODY. FIND A BETTER WAY TO GET IN AND OUT OF THAT AREA. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU. MARION WHITING. THREE MINUTES, FOLLOWED BY CYNTHIA LANGDON.

THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR, THANK YOU COMMENT. AGAIN MY NAME IS MARION WHITING. I LIVE AT 3006 CISKIN DRIVE. I'M HERE TODAY TO EXPRESS MY DESIRE TO KEEP MY NEIGHBORHOOD SAFE, ALSO. I MOVED FROM CENTRAL AUSTIN TO CISKIN APPROXIMATE ONE YEAR AGO. THE MAJOR APPEAL WAS THE ADJACENT TO A DOG FRIENDLY PARK AND A NATURE EDUCATION CENTER ON LONGVIEW, FURTHER ON THAT -- ON THAT PICTURE. LIKE MANY AUSTINITES, I ENJOY OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES SUCH AS

RUNNING, HIKING, ALSO LIKE MANY AUSTINITES I'M AN ANIMAL LOVER WHO HAS PETS THAT NEED TO BE EXERCISED. THE PARK IS LESS THAN HALF A MILE FROM MY - - FROM MY HOUSE, IT'S GREAT WITHIN WALKING OR RUNNING DISTANCE. BUT TRAFFIC ON LONGVIEW ROAD IS ALREADY MORE THAN IT SHOULD BE. AND ANY MORE TRAFFIC WOULD BE PUTTING ME AND MY ANIMALS AND MY NEIGHBORS IN DANGER. AS IT IS NOW, WHEN I GO TO RUN DOWN THE ROAD TO THE PARK, AGAIN HALF A MILE FROM THE HOUSE, IT'S PERFECT. I DO HAVE TO -- TO ACTUALLY PHYSICALLY STOP AND PULL MY ANIMALS INSIDE BECAUSE AS THE CARS PASS, MOST CARS IF IT'S A SINGLE CAR DRIVING, THEY DON'T DRIVE ON THE RIGHT OR LEFT SIDE OF THE ROAD, THEY DRIVE THROUGH THE CENTER. IF ANOTHER CAR COMES, IF YOU LOOK AT THE PHOTOS THAT WE HAD EARLIER, NO SHOULDERS, THEY ARE ALL SOFT SHOULDERS, IF THAT'S -- YOU ACTUALLY ARE PRESSED UP AGAINST FENCE LINES AND BRUSH ACTUALLY WHILE HOLDING. I DID STOP ANOTHER ANYBODY WHO WAS RUNNING AND HE AGREED WITH ME. HE HAD HIS DOG THAT WOULD STOP WHEN TRAFFIC COMES, IT IS A MAJOR PROBLEM AS FAR AS THE ACTIVITIES. AGAIN THERE'S VERY LITTLE SHOULDER IF ANY. THOSE OF US WHO EXERCISE OR WALK OUR ANIMALS ARE FORCED UP AGAINST THE BRUSH WHEN VEHICLES PASS AS IT IS. TO REZONE FOR MORE THAN SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE WOULD CREATE A GREAT HAZARD. I URGE YOU DEVICE TO CONSIDER THESE THINGS AS YOUR DECISION WILL AFFECT ME AND MY NEIGHBOR'S FUTURE GREATLY. I DO LOVE AUSTIN. I LOVE THE FACT THAT I PICKED A PLAGUES THAT ALLOWS ME TO DO THINGS THAT I LOVE. I DO BELIEVE THAT MUCH TRAFFIC IS GOING TO AFFECT MY DAY TO DAY LIFE. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

THANK YOU, MS. WHITING. CYNTHIA LANGDON. WELCOME, YOU WILL HAVE THREE MINUTES AND YOU WILL BE FOLLOWED BY DAWN MCLEAN.

I LIVE OFF CISKIN COVE, ONE STREET OVER FROM LONGVIEW. MY MAJOR CONCERN IS SAFETY. I HAVE NEVER SEEN A ROAD AS THIN OR AS NARROW AS LONGVIEW. AS YOU HAVE SEEN IN SOME OF THOSE PICTURES, THEY WIDENED BY LAYING A COUPLE OF INCHES OF ASPHALT, MAYBE 12 INCHES ON EACH SIDE, NOT EVEN STRAIGHT ALL

THE WAY DOWN. SEVERAL YEARS AGO, LONG BEFORE THIS, I CALLED TO VOICE MY CONCERN TO SEE IF THEY COULD DRAW A CENTER LINE DOWN BECAUSE THE CARS HAVE TO STOP 'N GO AROUND. I WAS INFORMED THAT IT'S NOT EVEN WIDE ENOUGH TO PUT A LINE DOWN THE MIDDLE. SO TO THEN ADD EVEN MORE TRAFFIC TO A ROAD THAT'S ALREADY AT MAX OR OVER CAPACITY TO ME SEEMS NEGLIGENT. I HAVE TWO SMALL CHILDREN AND THERE'S OTHER CHILDREN IN THE AREA. IT'S VERY DANGEROUS FOR ME TO TAKE MY STOLER WITH MY KIDS DOWN TO THE PARK. LIKE EVERYONE HAS BEEN SAYING, YOU CAN'T EVEN GET TWO CARS ON THE ROAD, LET ALONE THEN TRYING TO WALK ON THE SHOULDER. I THINK THAT ADDING A MULTI-FAMILY ZONING TO THAT AREA WOULD JUST BE TOO MUCH FOR THE SMALL AREA. IT IS RURAL RIGHT NOW, WE LOVE IT, WE WILL ACCEPT SINGLE FAMILY. I THINK THAT WILL BE THE BEST SUITED DEVELOPMENT FOR THIS AREA. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

THANK YOU. CYNTHIA STEIN. TO BE FOLLOWED BY DAWN MCLEAN. CYNTHIA STEIN, SORRY I MISSED IT EARLIER. THREE MINUTES, WELCOME. YOU WILL BE FOLLOWED BY DAWN MCLEAN.

HI. I APPRECIATE ALSO THE TIME TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT THIS. I GUESS YOU CAN TELL THAT WE ARE ALL REALLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE SAFETY ISSUE. LONGVIEW IS JUST LIKE A LITTLE COUNTRY ROAD THAT TWO CARS WITH BARELY PASS EACH OTHER. NO SIDEWALKS OR ANYTHING. AND BECAUSE THE PARK IS DOWN THERE, WE HAVE A LOT OF PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC GOING UP AND DOWN. I'M A DOG LOVER, TOO, BUT I WON'T WALK MY DOGS TO THE PARK, I DRIVE THEM DOWN THERE, BECAUSE I'M SCARED TO WALK DOWN THAT STREET, IT'S THAT BAD. I ALSO LIVE ON [INDISCERNIBLE] A LITTLE SHORT STREET, BUT IT HAS SO MUCH TRAFFIC ON IT BECAUSE PEOPLE USE IT TO CUT THROUGH WESTGATE TO GET OVER TO BRODIE, BECAUSE THEY GO DOWN MY STREET, THEN TURN ON LONGVIEW, THEN TURN ON ANOTHER STREET TO GET TO BRODIE. AND IT REALLY FRIGHTENS ME WHAT IT WILL BE LIKE IF YOU PUT ANY UNIT LIKE THAT, IT'S JUST GOING TO INCREASE THE TRAFFIC SO MUCH. IT'S GOING TO DEVASTATE THE

NEIGHBORHOOD. THANKS.

THANK YOU.

MS. MCLEAN, WELCOME BACK, THREE MINUTES.

[INDISCERNIBLE] MY HOME FOR 17 YEARS IN THIS AREA. AND MY CONCERN DEFINITELY IS ABOUT SAFETY. ABOUT AN MALLS, TRAFFIC, FLOODING. WE ARE NOT OPPOSED TO DEVELOPMENT IN THAT AREA. THAT'S BEEN PROVED BY US ALLOWING THE COUNCIL ALLOWING MOBILE HOMES TO BE PUT IN THAT AREA. WHAT WE ARE LOOKING AT A SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING. WE KNOW DEVELOPMENT IS GOING TO HAPPEN. WE JUST WANT OUR NEIGHBORHOOD TO REMAIN SAFE. ARE GREATLY OPPOSED TO 120 UNITS, THIS -- THIS NOT ONLY WILL CAUSE PEOPLE TO LEAVE THE AREA, BUT ALSO THE VALUES OF OUR HOMES ARE JUST DEPRECIATING AND ESPECIALLY WITH FLOODING CONDITIONS NOW, IT'S -- NOT ONLY WOULD BE -- FROM THE AREA BUT INSURANCE, PEOPLE AREN'T GOING TO BE ABLE TO EVEN LIVE IN THAT AREA WITH THE PROBLEMS THAT WOULD OCCUR WITH THIS TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT. SO -- SO WE DON'T WANT TO HAVE TO LEAVE THE AREA. WE ENJOY OUR NEIGHBORS, WE ENJOY OUR -- THE WHOLE AREA, WE WENT TO SOUTH AUSTIN FOR THAT WHOLE REPRESENTATION OF SOUTH AUSTIN. AND WE LOVE LIVING THERE, I THINK BY INVITING 120 UNITS WE ARE INVITING A LOT OF DANGER AND WE WILL LOSE SOME OF OUR NEIGHBORS. SO I ENCOURAGE YOU MAINLY TO REALLY THINK ABOUT -- ABOUT US AS CITIZENS OF AUSTIN. AND NOT ALLOW 120 UNITS TO COME INTO OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, MS. MCLEAN. AMY CRUISE. CRUZ, SO IF I MISPRONOUNCED THAT. FOLLOWED BY ANTHONY COLEMAN. WELCOME, THREE MINUTES.

MAYOR, THANK YOU COUNCILMEMBERS FOR HAVING ME. I'M JUST CONCERNED ABOUT THE SAFETY IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD. MY STREET OR MY HOUSE BACKS UP TO LONGVIEW. AND I'M A DOG LOVER, WE HAVE TWO DOGS. I WILL NOT WALK MY DOG DOWN THAT STREET. I WILL TAKE MY CAR AND DRIVE THE DOGS DOWN TO THE PARK, LIKE WE WERE TALKING ABOUT EARLIER. LONGVIEW IS A

DANGEROUS STREET. IF WE PUT MORE HOUSES, MORE OF THE MULTI-FAMILY HOMES DOWN THERE, IT'S JUST GOING TO CAUSE MORE DANGEROUS STREET THAT'S ALREADY DANGEROUS. AND THAT'S -- THAT'S MY CONCERN, THANK YOU.

THANK YOU. ANTHONY COLEMAN SIGNED UP WISHING TO SPEAK, IF WE HAVE QUESTIONS, YOU ARE WELCOME TO COME ADDRESS US. FAIR ENOUGH. COME SPEAK WHILE YOU HAVE A CHANCE. MIGHT INSPIRE A FEW QUESTIONS.

HI, MY NAME IS ANTHONY COLEMAN, I LIVE ON 3209 OAK ALLEY, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS TO ALLOW US TO SPEAK. EVERYONE HAS ALREADY TALKED ABOUT SAFETY ISSUES, SO I DON'T REALLY WANT TO -- TO GO OVER THAT TOO MUCH. BUT THERE'S A CHANGE OF LIFE THAT I ALSO -- ALSO I THINK WILL NEGATIVELY IMPACT OUR AREA AS WELL, NOT JUST THE SAFE, PER SE, BUT JUST THE FACT THAT THERE WILL BE THAT MUCH EXTRA TRAFFIC IN THAT AREA, IN TERMS OF PEOPLE LIVING THERE. I'M AFRAID OF -- OF OUR LITTLE RURAL AREA BECOMING A LITTLE TOO METROPOLITAN TOO FAST. I THINK THAT'S ALL THAT TO SAY ON THAT.

FAIR ENOUGH.

THANK YOU, MR. COLEMAN, QUESTIONS FOR MR. COLEMAN, COUNCIL? THANK YOU, SIR. THAT'S ALL OF THE FOLKS WHO HAVE SIGNED UP WISHING TO SPEAK IN OPPOSITION, MR. BENNETT HAS A ONE-TIME THREE MINUTE REBUTTAL. WELCOME BACK.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL IF YOU LOOK AT THE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION CONCERNING THE TRAFFIC, FROM -- FROM EMILY BARONE, EMILY HAS INDICATED THAT THE SITE WOULD ALLOW 168 DWELLING UNITS TO BE CONSTRUCTED ON THE SITE. WITH A LIMITATION OF TRAFFIC ON LONGVIEW TO INCREASE. WE ARE TALKING ABOUT APPEAR OVERLAY LOADING THE TRIPS OF 1,000 TRIPS PER DAY, AND WE ARE REQUESTING 120 UNITS INSTEAD OF THE 168 THAT ACCORDING TO MS. BAR REASON'S REPORT THAT WOULD BE ALLOWED ON THE SITE. WE HAVE AGREED THAT THERE WOULD BE NO ACCESS TO CAMERON LOOP. WHICH IS THE

SOUTH STREET BECAUSE THERE IS A 90-DEGREE TURN IN THAT STREET AND IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING THAT WE WENT TO THERE WAS EXPRESSED DHEARN'S -- THAT ABOUT THE -- ABOUT THE 90-DEGREE TURN, SO WE AGREED NO ACCESS ON TO THAT EXCEPT FOR EMERGENCY ACCESS. OUR PROPERTY SLOPES FROM NORTH TO SOUTH. WE HAVE AGREED WITH THAT -- WITH THAT ASSOCIATION TO THE SOUTH THAT WE WOULD TRY TO PUT THE PONDS IN THAT SOUTHEAST CORNER. IF YOU LOOK AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER, POSSIBLY FROM THE ENGINEERING STANDPOINT THAT SITE PLAN STAGE, THAT WATER WOULD NOT AFFECT ANY OF THE PROPERTY OWNERS THAT SPOKE TO YOU TONIGHT, WHO LIVE ON THE EAST SIDE OF LONGVIEW. MR. WALLACE LIVES UP ON THE VERY CORNER THERE AND AS I UNDERSTOOD IT, HIS WATER IS ACTUALLY COMING FROM AN ADJACENT SITE WHICH IS CURRENTLY UNDER CONSTRUCTION. SO WITH OUR PROPERTY SLOPING NORTH TO SOUTH, I DON'T SEE WHERE WE WOULD BE INCREASING ANY WATER. ON TO HIS SIDE OR ANY OF THE OTHER SITES WITH THE DIRECTED WATER DOWN TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER. ADDITIONALLY, WE HAVE AMENDED IT TO SF 6, WHICH IS A SINGLE FAMILY 6 ZONING. WITH 8 UNITS PER ACRE. WE ARE NOT TALKING ABOUT MULTI-FAMILY WITH APARTMENTS, WE ARE TALKING ABOUT AN SF 6 CONDO SITE. ALSO IN THE REPORT FROM THE TRANSPORTATION DIVISION, TALKING ABOUT THE BOUNDARIES [INDISCERNIBLE] LONGVIEW ROAD SHOULD BE UPGRADED 36 FEET OF PAVING, COM RON UPGRADED TO 40 FEET OF PAVING WHICH WOULD ALLOW FOR AN INCREASE AND A DESIRABLE OPERATING LEVELS TO 1800 VEHICLE TRIPS PER DAY AND 4,000. IF WE AGREE TO A THOUSAND TRIP PER DAY, THAT'S WELL BELOW THAT. JUST BRIEFLY COUNCIL AS YOU SEE THAT SITE PLAN, THE AREA MAP THAT'S BEFORE YOU, IF YOU BUILD THE PONDS IN THE SOUTHEAST CORNER, THERE'S A DEPENSION POND ACROSS CAMERON LOOP AND BOGGY CREEK TRAVERSES THE PROPERTY TO THE -- ON THE NORTHEAST TRACT, TAKES THAT WATER OUT TO WESTGATE BOULEVARD. I WILL BE AVAILABLE SHOULD YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.

THANK YOU. QUESTIONS OF THE APPLICANT, COUNCIL OR ANYBODY ELSE.

Dunkerly: ONE QUESTION. COULD YOU PUT THAT DIAGRAM BACK UP, PLEASE. NO, THE PICTURE THAT HE HAD UP. -- I UNDERSTOOD, MR. BENNETT, THAT YOU HAD BUFFERS AS WELL AS TRAILS AND THINGS. COULD YOU INDICATE ON YOUR DRAWING THERE WHERE THOSE WOULD BE LOCATED?

THE PIPELINE THAT TRAVERSES THIS PROPERTY IS RIGHT HERE IN THIS GENERAL AREA. THAT'S NOT A SUITABLE BUILDING AREA, WE HAVE CHECKED WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT ON THE PIPELINE ORDINANCE. SO THIS AREA RIGHT HERE WOULD BE A BUFFER ZONE BECAUSE OF THE PIPELINE LOCATION WOULD NOT BE BUILT ON. WE HAVE AGREED TO -- TO OF COURSE WE REQUIRED TO COMPATIBILITY HERE AND WE HAVE AGREED TO LIMIT THE HEIGHT OF THE BUILDINGS HERE TO TWO STORIES, 28 FEET. WE HAVE ALSO AGREED INTO A -- INTO A RIGHT OUT ONLY SO TRAFFIC WON'T BE ABLE TO COME DOWN THIS WAY, THEY WILL HAVE TO EXIT TO CAMERON TWO LONGVIEW, CAMERON LOOP, THEN GO NORTH LOOP. THEY WON'T BE ABLE TO DIRECTLY COME OUT AND GO NORTH, THEY WILL HAVE TO TURN OUT AND GO SOUTH.

WHERE IS THE PARK THAT PEOPLE KEEP MENTIONING IT. I BELIEVE THE PARK ON THIS MAP, THIS IS A MOBILE HOME PARK.

SO IF YOU HAVE THAT RESTRICTION OF NO LEFT TURN COMING OUT OF THAT FACILITY, THAT WILL KEEP THE TRAFFIC AWAY FROM -- FROM MOST OF LONGVIEW, RIGHTS?

THAT WILL KEEP THEM FROM TRAVELLING NORTH ON LONGVIEW.

OKAY. IS THAT PART OF THE -- OF THE CONDITIONAL OVERLAY --

YES.

RIGHT OUT ONLY.

FURTHER COMMENTS, QUESTIONS?

I GUESS I WAS JUST CURIOUS, WHAT'S THE DEVELOPMENT INTENSE SEE FOR AN SF 3 DEVELOPMENT?

IT'S APPROXIMATELY 7 UNITS PER ACRE.

7 UNITS PER ACRE.

THAT WAS THE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION. WE TOOK A LOOK AT THE PROPERTIES TO THE NORTH THAT WERE SF 3 AND I BELIEVE IT'S SOUTH -- SOUTH LAND OAKS, MUD WHICH IS NOW CHERRY CREEK, WHICH IS WHERE THE P PUBLIC DETENTION POND WHICH I BELIEVE IS USED FOR THE PARK, PEOPLE -- [INDISCERNIBLE] USED AS A PARK, THE LARGER SINGLE FAMILY DEVELOPMENT TO THE SOUTH, SOUTH OF CAMERON LOOP. THAT WAS PART OF THE ORIGINAL M.U.D., THAT ENDED UP BEING SF 2 ZONING. SO THAT'S THE RATIONALE THAT STAFF WAS USING TO COME UP WITH APPROXIMATELY 7 UNITS PER ACRE, IT WOULD BE COMPATIBLE WITH THE SINGLE FAMILY TO THE NORTH AND TO THE SOUTH.

SO NOW IN TERMS OF THE -- OF THE ISSUE OF -- OF PART OF THIS BEING IN THE SUBJECT TO S.O.S., TOO WE HAVE -- DO WE KNOW WHAT PERCENTAGE OF THE SITE THAT WOULD BE, WHAT PORTION OF THE SITE.

THIS IS AN EXHIBIT THAT -- LET ME JUST KIND OF POINT OUT WHERE THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS. IT'S RIGHT IN THIS AREA. THIS BEING LONGVIEW RUNNING NORTH AND SOUTH. CAMERON LOOP COMING AROUND, DAVIS TO THE SOUTH, BRODIE BEING FURTHER TO THE WEST. THE GREEN LINE THAT YOU SEE THROUGH HERE IS WHAT THE STATE KIND OF RECOGNIZES AS THE -- AS THE EDGE OF THE -- OF THAT RECHARGE AREA AND THE YELLOW LINE IS OUR BOUNDARY AND WE HAVE -- WE HAVE A 1,500-FOOT WIDE AREA WHICH -- WHICH WOULD BE AREA THAT WE WOULD HAVE TO -- TO ACQUIRE THE TIME AND SUBDIVISION OR SITE PLAN FUTURE BORINGS DETERMINE THAT BOUNDARY OF THE BARTON SPRINGS ZONE. SO THE AREA THAT'S FURTHER TO THE WEST WOULD BE RECHARGE, BARTON SPRINGS ZONE AREA, AND IN THIS CASE WE TALK MORE ABOUT CONTRIBUTING AREA, FURTHER TO THE EAST THERE WOULD BE OUTSIDE OF THE BARTON SPRINGS ZONE. EAST OF WHICH -- OF

WHICH LINE.

EAST APPROXIMATELY THIS LINE. THE EXACT LINE IS REALLY NOT DETERMINED. AT THIS POINT. IT'S JUST DETERMINED IN THE TIME OF SUBDIVISION OR SITE PLAN, THAT'S WHEN WE WOULD DO THE ADDITIONAL TESTING TO VERIFY THE BOUNDARY. SO PART IS IN CONTRIBUTING, PART IS JUST OUT --

THAT'S RIGHT.

ALTOGETHER.

AND IT'S DIFFICULT TO GIVE YOU A PRECISE BOUNDARY. IF YOU RECALL WE HAD A PROJECT FURTHER TO THE SOUTH OF DAVIS DOWN IN THIS AREA. CHCHS CALLED THE HARRIS RANCH PROPERTY. AND -- AND THEY HAD TO DO ACTUALLY BORINGS AND -- AND ON -- ON SITE INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE THAT, THAT APPROXIMATELY LINE OR CITY LINE WAS NOT -- WAS NOT RIGHT ON THE MONEY JUST BY LOOKING AT AERIAL, BUT I WILL TELL YOU THAT THIS -- THIS TOPOGRAPHY MAP IS HELPFUL, IT KIND OF SHOWS THE AREA WHICH MR. BENNETT WAS REFERRING TO WHERE THEIR PONDS WOULD BE LOCATED WHICH WOULD BE IN THIS CORNER AND GENERALLY AS -- AS THE NEIGHBORHOOD REPRESENTATIVE THAT INDICATED, THE WATER DOES DRAIN EAST AND SOUTH. KIND OF DRAINS IN THE DIRECTION THAT FLOWS THIS WAY. AND THE HOUSES THAT -- THAT THE INDIVIDUALS LIVE IN THAT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT THAT THE FLOODING OCCURRENCE, ARE RIGHT ALONG IN THIS AREA AND -- AND THIS IS THE -- THE -- THE SUBDIVISION THAT'S CURRENTLY BEING CONSTRUCTED, THE PONDS AS I UNDERSTAND IT TALKING TO THE ENGINEER THAT WENT OUT TO THE SITE IN THE LAST DAY OR TWO, DETERMINED THAT THE POND WAS ACTUALLY CONSTRUCTED BUT MAYBE NOT ALL OF THE WATER WAS FLOWING TO THAT POND BECAUSE THAT FINAL GREATING HAD NOT BEEN FINALIZED. SO SOME OF THAT MAY BY THIS WEEKEND'S RAIN MAY HAVE BEEN CAUSED BY SOME SHEET FLOW MAYBE NOT GETTING TO THE POND THAT -- THAT IS AS I UNDERSTAND POURED BUT THE FORMS HAVE NOT BEEN REMOVED. BY THE MAJORITY OF THIS WATER WOULD NOT DIRECTLY HIT CISKIN AND THOSE FOLKS ON THAT STREET,

BUT WOULD DRAIN FURTHER TO THE SOUTHEAST.

Alvarez: SO JUST I MEAN OBVIOUSLY I'M NOT SUPPOSED TO RELY ON THAT LINE THERE, BUT I MEAN IT ALMOST APPEARS AT LEAST HALF THE SITE IS IN THE RECHARGE ZONE. IS THAT -- IS THAT FAIR? FAIR APPROXIMATION?

IT MAY BE MORE WITHIN THE -- WITHIN THE BARTON SPRINGS ZONE THAN HALF. PART OF THE REASON STAFF RECOMMENDS THE ZONING IS TO ALLOW THEM TO DO MORE CLUSTERING. IF THEY WANT TO MOVE THE HOUSING UNITS OUT OF THAT AREA, ALSO PRESERVE SOME OF THE NATIONAL CHARACTER. IF YOU LOOKED AT SOME OF THE AERIAL PHOTOS, WE HAD SHOWN EARLIER, THERE'S A LOT OF TREE COVERAGE IN THIS -- TREE COVERAGE IN THIS AREA.

WHAT WOULD THE IMPERVIOUS COVER BE ON THE -- ON THE PORTION THAT IS IN THE RECHARGE ZONE?

WELL, IF IT WAS CONTRIBUTING OUTSIDE OF THE BARTON CREEK ZONE, YOU WOULD HAVE MAXIMUM IMPERVIOUS COVER COVER 25%.

CONTRIBUTING --

THAT'S CORRECT, MAYBE A LITTLE BIT MORE OF THAT IF THAT LINE WERE MOVED SLIGHTLY TO THE -- TO THE WEST, IT MIGHT -- IT MIGHT PICK UP, I GUESS IT'S ABOUT -- IT'S ABOUT HALF. IT'S HARD FOR STAFF TO TELL YOU.

I UNDERSTAND. I'M JUST -- I'M JUST TRYING TO FIGURE OUT IF -- IF HALF THE SITE IS IN THE BARTON SPRINGS IN THE RECHARGE SCONE SOMEHOW, HOW THEY COULD POSSIBLY GET 120 UNITS ON HERE WITH SF 3 ZONING. I JUST DON'T SEE THAT THAT'S PHYSICALLY POSSIBLE IF THEY HAVE THAT KIND OF A -- OF AN IMPERVIOUS COVER LIMITATION. AND SO -- SO BECAUSE THAT -- I DO THINK THAT IT SOUNDS LIKE AN AWFUL LOT OF UNITS FOR SUCH A NARROW ROAD. BUT I ALSO AM TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHY WE BELIEVE THERE CAN BE SO MUCH DEVELOPMENT UNDER JUST A STRAIGHT SF 3 BECAUSE IF IT'S THE SAME NUMBER OF UNITS I MEAN I DON'T MIND NECESSARILY SUPPORTING BEING CLUSTERED BUT IT DOESN'T APPEAR TO ME IF THEY JUST DEVELOP IT

STRAIGHT SF 3 THEY CAN ACTUALLY GET 120 UNITS BECAUSE OF THE DEVELOPMENT RESTRICTIONS. BUT I DON'T KNOW IF THERE'S A WAY TO FIGURE THAT OUT BETWEEN NOW AND MAYBE THE NEXT READING. BUT.

Guernsey: WELL THE DENSITY WILL BE CLOSER TO -- TO THE SF 3 OR SF 2 WOULD BE ACTUALLY -- 105 UNITS NOT 120. THE 120 IS WHAT THE COMMISSION RECOMMENDED, EIGHT UNITS PER ACRE. IT GETS YOU APPROXIMATELY 120 UNITS, SEVEN UNITS PER ACRE WOULD ACHIEVE ONLY 105 UNITS.

DOES -- BUT AGAIN I THINK IT'S BECAUSE WE ARE MULTIPLYING 15 ACRES TIMES THE UNIT PER ACRE INSTEAD OF LOOKING AT WELL, WHAT WILL ACTUALLY BE DEVELOPED BECAUSE ANY TIME THAT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT PROPERTY SUBJECT TO S.O.S., EVEN PARTIALLY, I MEAN THAT -- THAT IMPERVIOUS COVER THAT ACTUALLY BECOMES MORE LIMITING THAN -- THAN SOMETIMES, YOU KNOW, THAT UNITS PER ACRE, BUT ANYWAY THANK YOU FOR --

Guernsey: THAT ARE. THE IMPERVIOUS COVER REGULATION SUPERSEDES THE BASE ZONING AND COULD BE MORE LIMITING THAN WHAT COULD BE BUILT UNDER THE REGULAR ZONING REGULATIONS FOR IMPERVIOUS COVER.

Alvarez: MAYOR THANKS.

McCracken: I THINK COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ WHAT PICKED UP WAS THE DIFFERENCE IS THAT WHILE THERE MAY BE A ZONING DENSITY, THAT WOULD PERMIT 101 OR 120 THE IMPERVIOUS COVER CLEARLY WOULDN'T PERMIT ANYTHING CLOSE TO THAT AMOUNT OF -- OF EXTRA HOMES. THAT -- THAT'S KIND OF STRIKES ME AS ONE OF THE PURPOSES OF OUR -- OF OUR WATER QUALITY ORDINANCES IS TO HAVE LESS DENSITY IN THESE AREAS. IT DOESN'T STRIKE ME AS AN APPROPRIATE AREA FOR A WHOLE LOT OF INTENSE DEVELOPMENT. PARTICULARLY ON THESE ROADS THAT DON'T HAVE CURBS ON THEM. IT SEEMS -- IT SEEMS -- I MEAN, I -- UNLESS I'M MISSING SOMETHING, IT SEEMS LIKE THERE'S NOT A -- IT DOESN'T SEEM LIKE AN APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF INTENSITY FOR AN AREA WITH 18-FOOT WIDE ROADS, ROADS WITH NO CURBS, IN THE OFFHAND HOPE

THAT THERE MY BE A CURB IN THE FUTURE.

PART OF THE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION IS THAT THERE WOULD BE BOUNDARY STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WOULD INCLUDE SIDEWALKS, BUT YOU WOULD ALSO HAVE -- HAVE AN INCREASE IN THE PAVEMENT WIDTH AT THE TIME THAT THEY DEVELOPED THE PROPERTY, EITHER ON THE SUBDIVISION OR SITE PLAN ALONG BOTH LONGVIEW AND CAMERON LOOP. THEY WOULD HAVE TO BE SOME PHYSICAL IMPROVEMENTS THAT WOULD BE DONE AS PART OF THE SUBDIVISION OR SITE PLAN PROCESS TO ADDRESS SOME OF THE TRAFFIC CONCERNS, THAT'S PART OF THE -- OF THE MEMORANDUM, THE TRANSPORTATION MEMORANDUM THAT -- THAT BOTH THE STAFF AND THE -- AND THE ZONING ZONINGS REFERENCED AS PART OF THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS AND THAT MR. BENNETT REFERENCED AS PART OF HIS PRESENTATION. ER.

McCracken: DO WE HAVE THE AERIAL PHOTO OF THE -- OF THE -- OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD, NOT -- THERE'S SOMETHING A LITTLE MORE ZOOMED IN THAN THAT I THOUGHT.

THIS UNDEVELOPED PATCH RIGHT HERE IS WHAT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT, RIGHT, AT THE BOTTOM OF THE PICTURE?

Guernsey: THIS IS THE SUBJECT PROPERTY.

McCracken: IT'S NOT ON THE SCREEN, GREG, I'M SORRY. NOT ON MY SCREEN. YOU ALL NEED TO SHIFT THE PICTURE.

Mayor Wynn: THAT IS THE PICTURE.

McCracken: SO THIS IS WHAT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT?

Gurnsey: THE PROPERTY THAT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT IN THIS AREA. THIS -- THE PIPELINE RUNS THROUGH THIS AREA, THE SUBDIVISION THAT'S CAUSED SOME OF THE DRAINAGE CONCERNS IS LOCATED RIGHT HERE, THE GENERAL WATER FLOW COMES FROM THIS WAY. THIS IS CAMERON LOOP, THIS IS PART OF THE -- OF THE DETENTION POND AND THAT'S USED BY A PARK BY MANY PEOPLE THAT'S LOCATED IN THIS AREA.

McCracken: CAN WE GET THE PREVIOUS PICTURE THEN. HERE'S THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, LONGVIEW PIPELINE RUNNING THROUGH HERE, CAMERON LOOP, THE CITY DETENTION POND AND PERK AREA.

SHOW ME WHERE THE PROPOSAL IS TO CLUSTER IT ALONG.

WELL, THE RECHARGE LINE RUNS APPROXIMATELY THROUGH THE SITE. WHERE MY PEN IS LAYING DOWN. AND THEN THE AREA TO THE LEFT, WOULD BE THE BARTON SPRINGS ZONE, THE AREA TO THE RIGHT WOULD BE OUTSIDE.

McCracken: OKAY THEN THE BOTTOM PART OF THAT IS WHERE THE -- WHERE THE WATER FLOW LINE IS.

Gurensey:: RIGHT, THE WATER WOULD FLOW FROM THIS AREA TO A POINT TOWARDS THIS CORNER. THIS IS -- THIS IS THE DETENTION POND THAT -- THAT IS EXISTING TODAY. THIS IS THE AREA WHERE MR. BENNETT WAS INDICATING THAT THE DETENTION PONDS WOULD BE LOCATED. AND THE GENERAL DRAINAGE FLOWS TO THIS CORNER. AND TO THIS SIDE.

SO WITHIN 120 UNITS TO BE PUT ALL THROUGH THE -- WHERE?

PUT UP IN THIS GENERAL AREA. MOST LIKELY. THE COMPATIBILITY WILL BE TRIGGERED BY THE SINGLE FAMILY HOMES TO THE NORTH. BOTH IN THE NEW DEVELOPMENT AND IN THE EXISTING DEVELOPMENT. THAT THEY WOULD HAVE TO MOVE BACK OFF THE SITE AT LEAST 25 FEET FOR ALL IMPROVEMENTS IF IT WAS BUILT AS A CONDOMINIUM OR TOWNHOUSE PROJECT. AND I BELIEVE THAT THERE WAS ALREADY AN AGREEMENT BY THE OWNER TO THE -- TO THE ECONOMICS'S RECOMMENDATION TO LIMIT ALL OF THE BUILDINGS TO TWO STORIES OR 28 FEET IN HEIGHT.

Mayor Wynn: COUNCILMEMBER LEFFINGWELL?

Leffingwell: JUST FOR THE RECORD, THIS PROPERTY IS SUBJECT TO S.O.S. NO GRANDFATHER CLAIMS ON THIS?

I'M NOT AWARE OF ANY GRANDFATHER CLAIMS UNLESS MR. BENNETT WOULD LIKE TO BRING THEM FORWARD AT THIS TIME. THIS WOULD BE A NEW PROJECT, SUBJECT TO OUR CURRENT REGULATIONS.

COUNCILMEMBER LEFFINGWELL, I AM NOT AWARE OF ANY 1704 PROVISIONS THAT WOULD ALLOW ANYTHING OTHER THAN NON-COMPLIANCE WITH THE S.O.S. IF I MAY, COUNCIL, AT THE TIME OF SITE PLAN, WE WOULD DEFINITELY KNOW WHERE THE S.O.S. LINE IS. RIGHT NOW, WE GENERALLY HAVE AN IDEA IT'S ON THE WEST PORTION, EXACTLY WHERE IT IS WILL BE DETERMINED WHEN WE GET INTO THE ENGINEERING OF THE SITE PLAN. WE CERTAINLY WANT TO COMPLY WITH S.O.S. AND LIMITED IMPERVIOUS COVER IN THAT AREA. THAT'S THE REASON THAT WE NEED THE SF 6 SO WE CAN DO MORE, HAVE MORE FLEXIBILITY IN LOCATING WHERE THE BUILDINGS CAN BE. IN RELATIONSHIP TO THE S.O.S. AND THE PIPELINE AS WELL AS THE COMPATIBILITY STANDARD.

OKAY. SO -- SO IT SEEMS TO ME THAT YOU HAVE SOME PRETTY SEVERE RESTRICTIONS HERE, YOU HAVE THE PIPELINE ON THE SOUTH, THAT'S THE LONGHORN PIPELINE I ASSUME, WHICH -- WHICH THERE'S -- PRETTY SEVERE SETBACKS FROM THAT BY CITY ORDINANCE. SEVERAL HUNDRED FEET I THINK, ISN'T IT?

WE CONSULTED IN DOING PRELIMINARY WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT TO -- THE AUTHORITY ON THE PIPELINE ORDINANCE. IT DEPENDS ON WHAT KIND OF CONSTRUCTION THAT YOU ACTUALLY USE AS TO WHAT YOUR SETBACK CAN BE. AND THAT WILL BE DETERMINED WHEN WE GET INTO THE SITE PLAN STAGE 12. BUT THERE IS A SETBACK IN THE PIPELINE.

BUT IN ANY EVENT, THERE APPEARS TO BE A FAIRLY LARGE AREA ALONG TO THE SOUTH, YOU HAVE GOT A BIG CHUNK OF THE RECHARGE ZONE ON THE WEST, YOU HAVE GOT COMPATIBILITY ON THE NORTH, 25-FOOT BUFFER FROM -- FROM SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL TO ANY TYPE OF CONDO DEVELOPMENT AS I UNDERSTOOD MR. GUERNSEY CORRECTLY, BUT NONETHELESS REGARDLESS OF THE TYPE OF ZONING THAT IS GRANTED, YOU WOULD HAVE TO

COMPLY WITH -- WITH ALL OF THOSE RESTRICTIONS, COMPATIBILITY, PIPELINE ORDINANCE AND THE S.O.S. ORDINANCE.

THAT'S CORRECT. I BELIEVE THE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION TO YOU OR TO THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION THAT THEY REALIZE THAT THE CONSTRAINTS OF THIS SITE ALSO LED TO THEIR RECOMMENDATION TO THE SF 6.

COUNCILMEMBER MCCRACKEN?

McCracken: IN LOOKING AT THIS, IT APPEARS THAT KIND OF THE DEVELOPABLE AREA IS -- WOULD HAVE A MUCH, MUCH HIGHER DENSITY THAN SEVEN OR EIGHT UNITS PER ACRE. AM I MISSING SOMETHING? BECAUSE I MEAN IT -- WE'RE TALKING MAYBE A -- MAYBE A QUARTER OF THE -- OF THE SITE IS WHERE THE -- WHERE THE DEVELOPMENT SHOULD BE CLUSTERED OR 20%. I MEAN THEN YOU ARE REALLY TALKING AND -- AND YOU KNOW THE RANGE OF, YOU KNOW, 40 UNITS PER ACRE OR, YOU KNOW, SOMETHING LIKE THAT. IS THAT -- BECAUSE IF YOU ARE GOING TO -- IT SOUNDS LIKE Y'ALL ARE TAKING THE WHOLE SITE AND EXTRAPOLATING AND SAYING EIGHT UNITS PER ACRE OF THE WHOLE SITE. BUT ACTUALLY ALL TO BE COMPRESSED RIGHT THERE ALONG LONGVIEW, NEIGHBORHOODS SUDDENLY, NOT REALLY EIGHT UNITS PER ACRE. REALLY WOULD BE A MUCH NARROWER AREA THAT'S BEING DEVELOPED, THAT WOULD BE A VERY INTENSE AREA. IT'S APPROPRIATE IN SOME AREAS. VERY CONCERNED THAT IT DOESN'T STRIKE ME AS THAT IT'S APPROPRIATE IN THIS AREA.

COUNCILMEMBER, WE WILL BE ABLE TO DO SOME DEVELOPMENT IN THE S.O.S. AREA AFTER THE 25%, I BELIEVE WHETHER GUERNSEY INDICATED TO YOU. OBVIOUSLY THAT WESTERN PORTION IS GOING TO BE LESS DENSE BECAUSE OF THE S.O.S. LIMITATIONS FOR IMPERVIOUS COVER. IF YOU COME BACK MORE THIS WAY, THAT'S GOING TO REQUIRE A CLOSER CLUSTERING THAT YOU COULD HAVE ON THE WEST SIDE BECAUSE OF THE LIMITATION IN THE PIPELINE. THE MIDDLE PORTION OF THE PROPERTY IS PROBABLY MORE DEVELOPABLE BY THE TIME THAT YOU TAKE ALL OF THE CONSTRAINTS THAT WE ARE

DEALING WITH. FURTHER QUESTIONS, COMMENTS?  
COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLY?

I WOULD LIKE FOR MR. GUERNSEY TO -- TO READ OFF AGAIN  
THE LIST OF THE -- OF THE OVERLAYS. WHAT ALL IS  
INCLUDED IN THAT? ALSO DO THEY -- TELL ME AGAIN ABOUT  
WHAT THEY HAVE TO DO WITH THE ROADS IF THEY  
DEVELOP. IF THEY DEVELOP.

THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION  
RECOMMENDATION, THE PROPERTY IN 1,000 VEHICLE TRIPS  
PER DAY, A MAXIMUM OF 8 UNITS PER ACRE, THAT A  
DRIVEWAY FROM THE PROPERTY TO LONGVIEW ROAD  
SHALL BE RIGHT TURN OUT ONLY. IT COULD STILL COME IN  
FROM THE DIRECTION. THE DRIVEWAY ACCESS TO  
CAMERON LOOP WOULD BE LIMITED TO EMERGENCY  
ACCESS ONLY THAT WOULD ALLOW LIKE A LOCK BOX  
WHERE THE FIRE TRUCK, E.M.S. COULD GET IN. HOODED  
AND SHIELDED LIGHTING IS REQUIRED, WITHIN 25 FEET OF  
THE NORTH, SOUTH, EAST AND WEST PROPERTY LINES, AND  
THEN THAT -- THAT THE HEIGHT FOR ALL BUILDING IS  
LIMITED, THE HEIGHT FOR ALL BUILDINGS IS LIMITED TO TWO  
STORIES OR 28 FEET AND THERE'S A RESTRICTIVE  
COVENANT FOR THE CONDITIONS THAT ARE OUTLINED IN  
THE TRAFFIC IMPACT ANALYSIS THAT NEIGHBORHOOD  
TRAFFIC IMPACT ANALYSIS, I WILL GO BACK AND RE-- READ  
THAT MEMO. THE NEIGHBORHOOD TRAFFIC ANALYSIS  
WOULD PRESCRIBE THAT THE BOUNDARY STREET AND  
PERMIT WOULD BE REQUIRED AT THE TIME OF SUBDIVISION  
AND/OR SITE PLAN. THAT LONGVIEW ROAD WOULD BE  
UPGRADED TO 36 FEET OF PAVEMENT, AND CAMERON LOOP  
UPGRADED TO 40 FEET OF PAVEMENT. WHICH WOULD  
ALLOW FOR AN INCREASE IN DESIRABLE OPERATING LEVEL  
OF TRAFFIC, 1,800 VEHICLE OR 4,000 RESPECTIVELY FOR  
THOSE TWO ROADWAYS. GRANTED THEY WOULD BE  
IMPROVING THEIR SIDE OF THE STREET ONLY. BECAUSE IT --  
BECAUSE THE CITY -- TAKING THE LAWS IN THE STATE OF  
TEXAS CAN ONLY ASK FOR THE PROPORTIONAL SHARE OF  
TRAFFIC AND FOR THOSE IMPROVEMENTS THAT THEY  
WOULD DIRECTLY AFFECT THE -- AGAIN THERE WOULD BE A  
LIMITATION OF 1,000 TRIPS PER DAY. AND THOSE ARE  
PROBABLY THE MAIN POINTS TO THE TRANSPORTATION  
CONDITIONS THAT WERE OUTLINED AS PART OF THE STAFF

RECOMMENDATION AND THE -- THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION, THE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION DID DIFFER FROM THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION. STAFF RECOMMENDED ONLY 7 UNITS PER ACRE INSTEAD OF THE COMMISSION'S 8 AND STAFF RECOMMENDED SF 6 ZONING INSTEAD OF THE MF 1 ZONING THAT WAS PROPOSED BY THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION. THE MAJOR DIFFERENCE BETWEEN SF 6 AND MF 1 BEING THAT APARTMENTS WOULD BE A PROHIBITED USE UNDER THE SF 6 ZONING, SF 6 WOULD ALLOW TOWNHOUSE, CONDOMINIUM, THE SMALL LOT SINGLE FAMILY THAT'S SIMILAR TO THE LANDS THAT ARE DEVELOPED TO THE NORTH THAT NEAR SUBDIVISIONS, EXISTING DIVISIONS TO THE WEST, ALSO ALLOW STANDARD LOTS DEVELOPMENT WHICH ARE SIMILAR TO THE DIRECTLY TO THE NORTHWEST AND TO THE SOUTHEAST OF THIS PROPERTY. I'LL ALSO NOTE THIS IS ONLY READ FOR FIRST READING. THE PETITION AS IT STANDS NOW DOES NOT APPEAR WITH MR. BENNETT'S AMENDMENT TO HIS APPLICATION. NO LONGER VALID, ALTHOUGH A PETITION MIGHT TAKE EFFECT ANYWAY UNTIL THIRD READING. BECAUSE THE WAY THE PETITION IS WORDED, IT DID NOT OBJECT TO AN SF 6 TYPE OF ZONING. I WILL POINT THAT OUT AS WELL. THANK YOU, MR. GUERNSEY. FURTHER QUESTIONS, COMMENTS? HEARING NONE I WILL ENTERTAIN A MOTION ON Z-8. FIRST READING ONLY. COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ?

Alvarez: I WASN'T GOING TO MAKE THE MOTION, BUT I GUESS I COULD. WELL, I MEAN, I DON'T FEEL COMFORTABLE NECESSARILY WITH THE LEVEL OF DENSITY THAT'S BEING REQUESTED OR RECOMMENDED. I DON'T THINK THAT IF THIS WAS ZONED SF 3 OR SF 4 THEY COULD ACTUALLY DEVELOP THESE NUMBER OF UNITS, YOU KNOW, AND SOP AGAIN MY INCLINATION BECAUSE IT'S SURROUNDED ON THREE SIDES BY SINGLE FAMILY DEVELOPMENT IS THAT IT SHOULD BE SINGLE FAMILY, SF 6 IS NOT REALLY SINGLE FAMILY DETACHED TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT. AND I'M INCLINED TO SUPPORT MORE SF 4 A TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT WHICH ACTUALLY MAY ALLOW MORE UNITS PER ACRE, BUT IT'S A WHOLE DIFFERENT KIND OF DEVELOPMENT AND SO I THINK THAT -- THAT'S WHERE I'M LEANING, I CAN OFFER THAT AS A

MOTION IF SOMEONE WILL AT LEAST SECOND. I CAN'T SUPPORT THIS --

Dunkerly: I NEED TO HAVE THE EXPLANATION OF WHAT SF 4 A IS. I FORGET.

Guernsey: SF 4 A IS A SMALL LOT RESIDENTIAL. ALLOWS FOR INTERIOR LOTS THAT COULD BE AS SMALL AS 3600 SQUARE FEET AND CORNER LOTS BEING 4500 SQUARE FEET. IF YOU LOOK AT THE PROPERTY DIRECTLY NORTH OF THIS, THAT FRONTS ON LONGVIEW, THAT'S AN SF 4 A SUBDIVISION. THIS WOULD BE IN THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY. YOU WILL SEE LITTLE LOTS THAT ARE CALLED OUT. ON THE AERIAL IT'S CURRENTLY VACANT. BUT THAT SUBDIVISION IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION TODAY.

ONE OTHER QUESTION. LAST WEEK, WEEK BEFORE LAST WE HAD A ZONING REQUEST WHERE THERE WAS SF-3 ZONING OUT ON PARKER LANE. THEY WERE NEVER GOING TO -- THEY WERE GOING TO BUILD THE SAME NUMBER OF UNITS, WE MADE IT SOME 6 BECAUSE IT GAVE THEM MORE FLEXIBILITY IN HOW THEY COULD PLACE THEIR WATER LINES, HOW TO PLACE THEIR UNITS AND JUST SIMPLY HAD MORE FLEXIBILITY IN THAT AREA. IN THAT -- IN THAT AREA. I'M WONDERING IF -- IF THAT TYPE OF FLEXIBILITY WOULDN'T BE IMPORTANT IN THIS KIND OF A DEVELOPMENT WHERE THERE'S SO MUCH RESTRICTION.

Guernsey:: THE MAJOR DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THAT PROPERTY AND THIS PROPERTY, WHEN THEY WOULD COME IN, THEY WERE USING IN THE CASE THAT YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT WAS A CONDOMINIUM, I BELIEVE THEY LIMITED THEMSELVES TO ONLY 20 UNITS, THEY WERE DEALING WITH LOCATION OF LARGER TREES AND TRYING TO AVOID THOSE TREES. THE DIFFERENCE HERE IS THAT YOU ARE DEALING WITH TWO DIFFERENT WATERSHEDS AND WHEN YOU PLAT THE SUBDIVISION FOR SF 4 A, YOU ARE PROBABLY GOING TO HAVE PUBLIC STREETS OR PRIVATE STREETS THAT MEET PUBLIC STANDARDS THAT WOULD GO INTO THE PROPERTY AND AS -- AS YOU DEVELOP THOSE LOTS, THEY WOULD ONLY BE ABLE TO DEVELOP ONE UNIT ON A 3,600 OR 4500 SQUARE FOOT AREA, THE DEVELOPMENT WOULD HAVE TO BE SPREAD OUT MORE. THE AMOUNT OF IMPERVIOUS

COVER FOR THAT TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT VERSUS AN SF 6 TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT WOULD ACTUALLY BE HIGHER. BUT TRYING TO MEET THE IMPERVIOUS COVER REGULATIONS THAT THE CITY HAS THE OVERALL NUMBER OF UNITS WOULD PROBABLY BE REDUCED BECAUSE THEY WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO GET AS MUCH OR AS MANY DWELLING UNITS PER SQUARE FOOT OF IMPERVIOUS COVER AS YOU COULD IF IT WAS SF 6 WHERE YOU CLUSTERED AND MAYBE HAD JUST AN INTERNAL DRIVEWAY INSTEAD OF A PUBLIC STREET SERVING EACH OF THOSE LOTS. THERE IS MORE FLEXIBILITY WITH SF 6. IF YOU WERE TO DEVELOP SF 4 A YOU WOULD HAVE PROBABLY -- YOU COULD NEVER HAVE MORE IMPERVIOUS COVER, BUT YOU WOULD HAVE LESS DWELLING UNITS PER SQUARE FOOT OF IMPERVIOUS COVER, THEY WOULD SIMPLY HAVE TO HAVE STREET FRONTAGE FOR EVERY LOT THAT THEY CREATE.

Dunkerly: MAYBE WE COULD DISCUSS THE NUMBER OF UNITS LATER, BUT I THINK TO ME THE SF 6 WOULD GIVE US MORE FLEXIBILITY, I DON'T KNOW. BUT EXCUSE ME, COUNCILMEMBER. I WAS JUST TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHAT SF 1 A WAS. THANKS. COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ SNR.

THAT EXPLANATION ACTUALLY GETS TO THE ISSUE OF I WAS TRYING TO EXPLAIN IF THEY ACTUALLY DEVELOP UNDER SF 3 OR SF 4 A, THEY CAN'T DEVELOP 120 UNIT JUST BECAUSE OF HOW THEY WOULD HAVE TO DEVELOP THAT AND FOR THEM TO SAY YOU CAN DO SF 6, DO 120 UNITS TAKE JUST ALLOWS THEM TO STACK THEM UP YOU KNOW WHAT I MEAN? IF WE COULD GET TO THE ISSUE OF THIS IS THE DEVELOPABLE NUMBER OF UNITS SF 3, THEN YES I DON'T MIND SAYING YOU CAN DEVELOP THAT NUMBER UNDER SF 6 AND CLUSTER THEM. BUT -- YOU KNOW, IN THIS PARTICULAR CASE IT APPEARS TO ME WE ARE LETTING THEM BUILD MORE UNITS THAN THEY COULD UNDER SF 3 OR SF 4 A, NOT NECESSARILY GIVING THEM MORE FLEXIBILITIMENT. JUST ALLOWING THEM TO BUILD MORE.

I'LL SECOND THAT.

COUNCIL.

SO MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ TO CLOSE THE

PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVE ON FIRST READING ONLY, HELP ME ABOUT GUERNSEY, SF 4 A, COUNCILMEMBER WERE YOU IMPLICATING SOME TYPE OF CONDITIONAL OVERLAYS OR JUST ALLOWING THAT AFTER FIRST READING TO SORT OF BE ANALYZED LIKELY STAFF AND/OR THE APPLICANT COMES BACK AND SHOWS US WHAT THE IMPACT OF THAT MIGHT BE.

Alvarez: STAFF'S ORIGINAL SUGGESTION WE LOOKED AT DENSITY AND TRIPS, VEHICLE TRIPS. DOES STAFF THINK THAT IT'S IMPORTANT THAT SOME OF -- THIS ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION CONDITIONS ALSO --

Guernsey: STAFF ALSO RECOMMENDED THE NEIGHBORHOOD TRAFFIC ANALYSIS AND SPOKE TO THE ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS. THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION HAD A TRIP LIMITATION, BUT THE TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENTS THAT I'VE SPOKE OF EARLIER, THE BOUND CARRY STREET IMPROVEMENT, THAT WAS PART OF OUR RECOMMENDATION, THOSE -- THOSE -- THE RESTRICTIVE COVENANT WAS ALSO PART OF THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION AS WELL.

Alvarez: WITH THE RESTRICTIVE COVENANT PERTAINING TO THE TRAFFIC ANALYSIS IMPROVEMENTS.

THAT WOULD BE SF 4 A.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MCCRACKEN FIRST READ BEING ONLY TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. WITH CERTAIN CONDITIONS. FURTHER COMMENTS? COUNCILMEMBER LEFFINGWELL?

Leffingwell: JUST TO FURTHER CLARIFY, THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN SF 4 A AND SF 6, SF 4 A YOU HAVE TO HAVE AN WHY I WOULD LOT FOR EACH DWELLING.

ONE HOUSE, ONE LOT.

Leffingwell: AND SF 6 THE DWELLING UNITS ARE [MULTIPLE VOICES] SO ASSIST COUNCILMEMBERAS COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLY SAID YOU HAVE A LOT MORE FLEXIBILITY IN THE LAYOUT AS FAR AS ROADS AND JUST GENERAL LAYOUT. BUT

IN -- I JUST WANTED TO MAKE THAT COMMENT, THIS IS FIRST READING ONLY. WE HAVE TIME TO -- TO REVISIT THAT. THERE IS NO VALID PETITION. ON EITHER SF 4 A OR SF 6. AS I UNDERSTAND IT. JUST TO CLARIFY, THAT WAS ALL OF THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSIONS CONDITIONAL OVERLAY POINTS, PLUS THE BOUNDARY STREET IMPROVEMENTS THAT WERE IN THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION, IS THAT WHAT -- IS THAT WHAT WE HAVE HERE.

WHAT I UNDERSTAND IS SF 4 A AND THEN ONLY INCORPORATING THE -- THE NEIGHBORHOOD TRAFFIC ANALYSIS AS PART OF A RESTRICTIVE COVENANT. IS THE MOTION I UNDERSTAND THAT'S ON THE TABLE RIGHT NOW.

Leffingwell: JUST TO CLARIFY FROM THE MARRY IT MAKER, IT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE [INDISCERNIBLE] THE RIGHT TURN OUT ON LONGVIEW, THE EMERGENCY GATED EXIT ONLY ON CAMERON.

Guernsey: THE ACCESS STAFF WOULD NEED TO RE-EVALUATE IF THERE WERE GOING TO BE A STREET SYSTEM IN.

Leffingwell: THAT'S A WHOLE NEW BALL GAME IF YOU HAVE TO PUT A STREET SYSTEM IN.

IF COUNCIL TAKES ACTION ON FIRST READING WILL ASK FOR AN ADDITIONAL REVIEW BY THE TRANSPORTATION STAFF TO SEE IF THERE'S A RECOMMENDATION FOR SF 4 A FOR SINGLE FAMILY TO LOOK AT THE -- AT THE ACCESS TO CAMERON LOOP AGAIN AND TO LONGVIEW AGAIN, BECAUSE MOST LIKELY IF A PUBLIC STREET IS PUT IN, THOSE ACCESSES WOULD NOT BE LIMITED TO A RIGHT TURN OUT ONLY IF THEY WERE A PUBLIC STREET.

RIGHT. YOU ARE REALLY ONLY TALKING ABOUT THE BOUNDARY STREET IMPROVEMENTS.

THAT'S THE MOTION THAT I UNDERSTAND THAT'S ON THE TABLE.

Leffingwell: OKAY.

Alvarez: IN TERMS OF THE TRIPS PER DAY, MR. GUERNSEY, I MEAN, MY SENSE IS THAT OBVIOUSLY UNDER SF 4 A WE WOULD BE OF THAT -- UNDER THAT -- UNDER THAT LIMITATION, BUT DO YOU SEE A NEED FOR THAT? RECOMMENDED?

PART OF OUR RECOMMENDATION UNDER THAT -- UNDER THAT TRANSPORTATION DID HAVE A LIMITATION THAT THE SITE SHOULD BE LIMITED THROUGH -- TO 1,000 TRIPS PER DAY AS PART OF A MEMO. IT'S PART OF THAT.

THE RESTRICTIVE COVENANT -- IT'S PART OF THE -- OF THE ORIGINAL STAFF RECOMMENDATION OF THAT NTA. SO -- SO YOU COULD I COULD INCORPORATE THE 1,000 TRIPS OF BEING AN OVERALL LIMITATION.

Alvarez: OKAY. MAYOR I WOULD ADD THAT 1,000 TRIP LIMITATION AS WELL. I DON'T THINK WE WILL GET THERE BUT --

RIGHT.

Mayor Wynn: A MOTION AND A SECOND ON THE TABLE. TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING, SF 4 WITH CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

Gurensey:: WITH THE CONDITIONAL OVERLAY. A THOUSAND TRIPS AND HAVING THE -- THE NEIGHBORHOOD TRAFFIC ANALYSIS AS -- AS ACCEPTED AS PARTS OF A COVENANT.

Mayor Wynn: YES. OF COURSE THERE WILL BE SOMEWHAT OF A REANALYSIS NOW AFTER THIS READING TO COME BACK TO US WITH MORE DETAIL ABOUT SECOND READING. FURTHER COMMENTS? [ONE MOMENT PLEASE FOR CHANGE IN CAPTIONERS]

Dunkerley: I HAVE ONE OTHER QUESTION. WHEN WE WERE LOOKING AT THIS THIS WEEK, GOING FROM MF-1 DOWN TO SF-6, I THINK THE DEVELOPER WAS ABLE TO TWEAK THAT ENOUGH TO MAKE IT WORK, BUT WITH ALL THE LIMITATIONS WE HAVE, I REALLY WANT THEM TO TAKE A LOOK TO SEE

THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE FLEXIBILITY AND THE FS-6 AND THE SF-4-A. AND I'D LIKE AN ANALYSIS FROM STAFF ON THAT. I WOULD RATHER THEM HAVE MORE FLEXIBILITY THAN LESS. SO I'M GOING TO -- JUST TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY CAN CLUSTER AND LEAVE AS MUCH OF THAT SPACE OPEN AND MAKE SURE THEY MEET THE S.O.S. REQUIREMENTS. I'LL GO AHEAD AND VOTE ON FIRST READING FOR THIS, BUT I'M REALLY VERY CAUTIOUS ABOUT WHAWFER OUR FINAL DECISION IS.

WE CAN GET WITH THE APPLICANT AND ASK THEM WHAT THE IMPACT WOULD BE OF THEIR AMENDMENT THIS EVENING TO SF-6 AND WE CAN TAKE A LOOK AT THE SF-4-A AND SEE WHAT -- BASICALLY WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO ASK THE APPLICANT WHAT IMPACT ULTIMATELY WILL BE ON THIS PROJECT.

REGARDLESS OF THE UNITS, IT MAY BE BETTER FOR THEM TO HAVE THE FLEXIBILITY OF PLACEMENT THAN THE SF-4-A WOULD ALLOW THEM. THAT'S ALL MY QUESTION IS.

VERY GOOD. >>

COUNCILMEMBER MCCRACKEN.

McCracken: AS PART OF THAT, SOMETHING THAT COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ HAD BROUGHT UP, BUT WE'RE HEARING ABOUT KIND OF THE AGGREGATE DENSITY OF EIGHT UNITS PER ACRE. THAT'S THE SAME DENSITY AS THE SINGLE-FAMILY NEIGHBORHOODS, BUT IF YOU PACK -- IT'S KIND OF THE WHOLE DEAL LIKE THE SAME CONCEPT. IF YOU PUT EVERYBODY ON TO ONE SIDE OF THE CANOE, IT TIPS. IT DOESN'T MATTER HOW YOU DISTRIBUTE THEM. SO MY CONCERN IS BASED ON THE SITE CHARACTERISTICS IF WE'RE TALKING ABOUT A ZONING SCHEME THAT ALLOWS ALL OF THIS TO BE PACKED IN ONE AREA, IT'S NOT EIGHT UNITS PER ACRE, IT'S MAYBE 40 UNITS PER ACRE AND THAT IS A RADICAL CHANGE IN THE CHARACTER OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD. SO I WOULD LIKE US TO RECEIVE SOME ANALYSIS OF WHAT WOULD ACTUALLY BE THE FUNCTIONAL DENSITY SINCE -- WE'RE TOLD BEING THAT EIGHT UNITS PER ACRE IS AN ACCEPTABLE DENSITY, BUT PROPOSAL NUMBER 4 DOESN'T SEEM TO REALLY TALK ABOUT EIGHT UNITS PER

ACRE, IT TENDS TO PRESENT SOMETHING THAT WOULD LIKELY RESULT IN A MUCH HIGHER DENSITY IN AN AREA WHERE IT DOESN'T SEEM WHERE IT'S APPROPRIATE. AND THAT'S WHY I'M SECONDING THIS MOTION. I'D LIKE INFORMATION ON WHAT THE ACTUAL FUNCTIONAL DENSITY IN THESE ZONES WOULD BE.

Mayor Wynn: MOTION AND A SECOND ON THE TABLE, FIRST READING ONLY. FURTHER COMMENTS? HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

Mayor Wynn: OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON FIRST READING ONLY ON A VOTE OF SEVEN TO ZERO.

THANK YOU, MAYOR, THAT CONCLUDES OUR ZONING ITEMS.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. GUERNSEY. THAT LEAVES US WITH ITEM NUMBER 61, AND 20 MINUTES BEFORE THE BASKETBALL GAME. [ LAUGHTER ] WELCOME, MR. HILGERS.

THANK YOU, MAYOR. I AM PAUL HILGERS AND WE DO HAVE A PUBLIC HEARING TONIGHT AND WE DO HAVE A BASKETBALL GAME TONIGHT. TONIGHT WE'RE HERE TO CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING, THE FIRST OF ACTUALLY FOUR PUBLIC HEARINGS. THE GOOD NEWS IS TONIGHT IS THE NIGHT FOR ME TO MAKE MY PRESENTATION FOR WHERE WE ARE IN THE BUDGET AND OUR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR HOW WE'RE APPROPRIATING FUNDS OR RECOMMENDING THAT WE APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR NEXT YEAR. TONIGHT IS THE NIGHT FOR US TO LISTEN TO THE PUBLIC ABOUT WHAT THEY THINK THE HIGHEST AND BEST USE AND NEEDS ARE FOR THE FEDERAL DOLLARS THAT COME TO US. THE ONE CAVEAT THAT I WOULD HAVE, I WOULD LIKE TO LAY OUT THE PROCESS FOR THE PUBLIC SO THAT THEY WILL KNOW WHAT THEIR OPPORTUNITIES ARE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PUBLIC PROCESS TO IDENTIFY PRIORITIES. ESSENTIALLY THE FISCAL YEAR 2006-2007 ACTION PLAN IS A ONE-YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN THAT DESCRIBES COMMUNITY NEEDS, RESOURCES, PRIORITIES AND PROPOSED ACTIVITIES TO BE UNDERTAKEN UNDER CERTAIN FEDERAL HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT PROGRAMS. IT'S

IMPORTANT FOR THIS COUNCIL AND THE PUBLIC TO KNOW THAT THIS WILL BE THE THIRD CONSECUTIVE YEAR THAT WE HAVE RECEIVED FUNDING CUTS IN THIS -- IN OUR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM. TWO YEARS AGO WE RECEIVED A FIVE PERCENT CUT. LAST YEAR WE RECEIVED A SEVEN PERCENT CUT AND THE APPROPRIATION THAT WE HAVE FOR NEXT YEAR REPRESENTS A 10% CUT. AND SO WE WILL HAVE TO BE MAKING SOME DIFFICULT CHOICES ON FUNDING. BUT THE PROCESS IS THAT AS A RESULT OF OUR CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN, IT SETS OUT THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE PUBLIC TO COMMENT, AND THERE ARE THREE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC HEARINGS SCHEDULED. ONE IS SCHEDULED BY OUR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FOR NEXT WEEK. IT WILL BE ON MARCH THE 29TH AT 6:30 IN THE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS ROOM AND WILL BE TELEADVISED. THE -- THEN THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION WILL THEN HOLD A DRAFT -- A HEARING ON THE DRAFT ACTION PLAN BECAUSE OUR ACTION PLAN, OUR DRAFT PLAN WILL BE COMPLETED BY THE END OF APRIL. AND SO MAY 9TH THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION WILL HAVE ANOTHER PUBLIC HEARING ON THE DRAFT ACTION PLAN, AND THE NEXT CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING ON THE DRAFT ACTION PLAN WILL BE MAY 25TH. THERE WILL BE A 30 DAY WRITTEN CITIZEN COMMUNICATION COMMENT -- CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD ALL DURING THE MONTH OF MAY. NOTICE WILL BE HELD IN NEWSPAPERS. WE ANTICIPATE THAT IN MAY ON THE MAY 9TH PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE FOCUSED PARTICULARLY ON SMALL BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES, AND WE ANTICIPATE BRINGING THE ACTION PLAN BACK FOR FINAL APPROVAL TO THE COUNCIL IN JULY. WE'LL BE SUBMITTING THIS PLAN TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT ON AUGUST THE 15TH. WITH THAT, MAYOR, I WOULD JUST TURN THIS OVER AND ALLOW THE PUBLIC HEARING TO BEGIN.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. HILGERS. QUESTIONS OF STAFF, COUNCIL? COMMENTS? IF NOT, WE WILL START TAKING CITIZEN TESTIMONY. OUR FIRST SPEAKER IS CATHERINE STARK. WELCOME, CATHERINE. YOU WILL BE FOLLOWED BY DAVID DAVIS, WHO WILL BE FOLLOWED BY

JULIA MATHY.

GOOD EVENING, I'LL BE SHORT FOR THE BASKETBALL GAME.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU.

MAYOR, COUNCILMEMBERS, MY NAME IS KATHY STARK AND I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE AUSTIN TENANTS' COUNCIL. AND WE HAVE BEEN FORTUNATE TO RECEIVE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS FOR MANY YEARS TO RUN A PROGRAM TO ASSIST TENANTS IN KNOWING WHAT THEIR RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES ARE. WE ASSIST SMALL LANDLORDS THAT HAVE ONE OR TWO PROPERTIES. WE ALSO HAVE AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING GUIDE THAT HAS ALL THE SUBSIDIZED HOUSING IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN SO THAT PEOPLE WHO DO NEED AFFORDABLE HOUSING HAVE ONE RESOURCE TO START LOOKING FROM. HOUSING IS THE LYNCH PIN THAT FAMILIES BUILD THEIR LIVES AROUND. IF THEY DON'T HAVE STABLE HOUSING THAT THEY CAN AFFORD, THEIR KIDS DON'T GO TO SCHOOL, IT'S HARD TO KEEP A JOB, EVERYTHING STARTS FALLING APART IF YOU LOSE YOUR HOUSING AND YOU'RE LIVING OUT OF YOUR CAR OR YOU'RE LIVING WITH YOUR SISTER. AUSTIN HAS ONE OF THE HIGHEST -- IT HAS THE HIGHEST RATE FOR RENTAL HOUSING IN THE STATE OF TEXAS. I'M HERE TO URGE YOU TO WISELY USE THE FEDERAL DOLLARS THAT WE RECEIVED TO PROMOTE AFFORDABLE HOUSING, ESPECIALLY FOR 50% BELOW THE MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME OR EVEN DOWN TO 30% THE MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME SO THAT WE CAN HOUSE ALL OF OUR CITIZENS THAT WANT TO LIVE IN THE CITY. UNFORTUNATELY, WE'RE SEEING THAT MORE AND MORE FAMILIES ARE MOVING OUTSIDE THE CITY LIMITS AND WE NEED TO DO SOMETHING TO TURN THAT TREND AROUND SO THE CITY IS AFFORDABLE FOR EVERYBODY. AND THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT DOLLARS ARE ONE WAY THAT WE DO THAT. IT'S SCARCE HOUSING DOLLARS, AND I URGE YOU TO USE IT FOR HOUSING AND HOUSING RELATED ISSUES THAT ASSIST OUR CITIZENS IN HAVING SAFE, DECENT, FAIR HOUSING. ALSO I WANT TO ENCOURAGE AND I WANT TO THANK THE MAYOR FOR THE WORK THAT HE HAS DONE TO TRY TO MAKE SURE THAT THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS DO NOT GET CUT FURTHER AND I WANT TO ENCOURAGE

EVERYBODY TO CONTACT THEIR SENATOR OR THEIR REPRESENTATIVE. THEY THINK AFFORDABLE HOUSING IS IMPORTANT, THEY THINK THAT THE PROGRAMS THAT THIS -- THESE PROGRAMS DO ARE IMPORTANT, THEY SHOULD CALL THEIR SENATOR AND THEIR REPRESENTATIVE AND TELL THEM SO. AND I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THE TIME. AND IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS...

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MS. STARK. QUESTIONS? THANK YOU, MA'AM. DAVID DAVIS, WELCOME. YOU WILL BE FOLLOWED BY JULIA MATH YES, WHO WILL BE FOLLOWED BY CHRISTINA (INDISCERNIBLE).

GOOD EVENING, MAYOR AND COUNCIL. I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK ON THE CITY'S ACTION PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006-2007. I'M HERE TONIGHT, TIME PERMITTING, I GUESS, TO SPEAK REALLY IN TWO CAPACITIES. THE MOST IMPORTANT OF WHICH I'VE BEEN ASKED TO REPRESENT THE PASSAGES PARTNERSHIP TONIGHT TO KIND OF GIVE YOU AN OVERVIEW OF WHAT YOU DO AND ASK FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT, AND I WANT TO THANK THE COUNCIL PARTICULARLY OVER THE LAST EIGHT YEARS FOR SUPPORT IN GENERAL FOR PURPOSES THAT SERVE HOMELESS PEOPLE. THAT BEING THE CASE, I THINK IT'S APPROPRIATE TO I FOLLOW MS. STARK BECAUSE WITHOUT AFFORDABLE HOUSING WE SEE THE END RESULT OF THAT. THE PASSION SAGES PARTNERSHIP IS A COLLABORATION AND ALSO WITH THE CARITAS, THE FAMILY CONNECTION FOR THE HOMELESS, LIFE WORKS AND SAFE PLACE. AND WITH THE CONTRIBUTIONS THAT CONSTITUENT HAS MADE OVER THE PAST FEW YEARS, ACTUALLY SINCE 1998, IN THE FORM OF FUNDS FROM THE CITY'S HOUSING TRUST FUND AND THE HOME GRANT, WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO PROVIDE TRANSITIONAL HOUSING TO HOMELESS FAMILIES. AS OF MARCH OF 2006, WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO PROVIDE SUBSIDIZED HOUSING FOR 425 FAMILIES, MOST OF WHOM RECEIVED 12 TO 18 MONTHS OF TENANT-BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE. CURRENTLY WE HAVE 45 FAMILIES IN TVRA AND ARE IN THE PROCESS -- THEY'RE IN THE PROCESS OF GETTING THEIR VOUCHERS FOR THAT PROGRAM. THE ARRAY OF SERVICES THAT WE PROVIDE ARE CASE MANAGEMENT AND SUBSIDIZED CHILD CARE, LIMITED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, AND THAT'S MOSTLY IN THE FORM

OF THE ASSISTANCE TO GET INTO HOUSING AND TO GET HOOKED UP WITH UTILITIES. BUT WE ALSO PROVIDE SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNSELING, MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING, LIFE SKILLS, JOB READINESS AND REFERRAL AND A LOT OF ASSISTANCE WITH LINKAGE TO PERMANENT AND TRANSITIONAL HOUSING. THIS IS -- THIS BECAME A PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CITY, THE PASSAGES COLLABORATION, AND THE AUSTIN HOUSING AUTHORITY. AND I THINK IT'S BEEN VERY EFFECTIVE. WHAT WE HAVE SEEN OVER THE YEARS IS APPROXIMATELY 75 TO 80 PERCENT OF THE FAMILIES PARTICIPATING IN THIS PROGRAM ACQUIRE PERMANENT HOUSING AND MAINTAIN IT FOR AT LEAST SIX MONTHS THAT WE TRACK THEM AFTER THEY'VE LEFT THE PROGRAM. DURING THE TIME THEY'RE IN TBRA, THEY WORK ON REDUCING DEBT, INCREASING THEIR SKILLS AND INCOME. IN THE LAST YEAR WE'VE ALSO BEGUN PAYING FOR TRAINING FOR SOME CLIENTS THAT HAVE GIVEN THEM -- [ BUZZER SOUNDS ] -- AFFORDED THEM THE OPPORTUNITY TO GET JOBS AT A LIVING WAGE. AND I WANT TO THANK YOU. WE HOPE THAT THE CITY WILL CONTINUE TO SUPPORT US AT OUR CURRENT FUNDING LEVEL OF \$753,925 PER YEAR.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. DAVIS. JULIA MATHY. WELCOME. YOU WILL BE FOLLOWED BY CHRISTINA, FOLLOWED BILINGUALIANMAN.

HI. MY NAME IS JULIA MATHY AND I'M AN ESL TEACHER WITH AISD'S ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM. WE OFFER FREE ESL AND G.E.D. CLASSES TO LOW INCOME ADULTS IN THE EVENINGS AT SEVERAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS IN AUSTIN. AND WE'RE FUNDED BY THE CITY OF AUSTIN. WE ALSO OFFER CHILD CARE TO OUR STUDENTS. I TEACH ESL AT BOTH BROOK SCHOOL IN THE EAST SIDE AND AT BECKER IN SOUTH AUSTIN. AND I'M HERE TO SUPPORT CITY FUNDING FOR OUR ESL PROGRAMS. THEY SERVE A VITAL ROLE IN OUR COMMUNITY BY GIVING FREE ENGLISH CLASSES TO SECOND LANGUAGE LEARNERS, IMMIGRANTS IN AUSTIN. OUR STUDENTS, SOME OF WHOM ARE HERE TO SUPPORT THE PROGRAM, NEED TO BE ABLE TO COMMUNICATE IN ENGLISH AND AND A HALF EIGHT NAVIGATE IN OUR COMMUNITY, TO BE ABLE TO HELP WITH THEIR FAMILIES AND CONTRIBUTE TO OUR SOCIETY AND TO IMPROVE THEIR

STANDARDS OF LIVING. AMERICA IS A NATION OF IMMIGRANTS. I'M A THIRD GENERATION AMERICAN. AUSTIN IS AN INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY BEING AN IMMIGRANT IS VERY DIFFICULT AND BECAUSE OF OUR STUDENTS' LACK OF ENGLISH, MANY OF THEM HAVE LOW PAYING JOBS. AND THEY CANNOT AFFORD TO PAY FOR PRIVATE ENGLISH CLASSES. FURTHERMORE MY EAST AUSTIN NEIGHBORS SUPPORT THE ESL CLASSES. I'VE BEEN LIVING IN EAST AUSTIN FOR 15 YEARS, AND I HAVE PARTICIPATED, ALONG WITH COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ, WITH WRITING OUR NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN, AND IN WHICH WE CALL SPECIFICALLY FOR ESL CLASSES IN OUR COMMUNITY. AND THAT IN OUR EAST -- IN OUR CESAR CHAVEZ NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN, THAT IS ACTION ITEM 193. WE SAY THE NEIGHBORHOOD WILL WORK WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS TO PROVIDE ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE FOR THOSE IMMIGRANTS WHO DO NOT SPEAK ENGLISH. ALSO, I HAVE COMMENT FROM 30 STUDENTS WHO COULD NOT COME IN EVENING AND I'M PLANNING ON E-MAILING THESE COMMENTS TO CITY COUNCIL. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. CHRISTINA (INDISCERNIBLE). SORRY, CHRISTINA. FOLLOWED BILINGUALIAMAN, WHO WILL BE FOLLOWED BY FRANK FERNANDEZ. WELCOME, YOU WILL HAVE THREE MINUTES.

HI. MY NAME IS CHRISTINA (INDISCERNIBLE). AND I'M FROM ROMANIA. I'VE BEEN LIVING FOR ONE YEAR. I'M AN ESL STUDENT AT WALNUT CREEK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. PLEASE CONTINUE THE FUNDING ESL PROGRAM FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS: FIRST THING, FOR MY ORAL COMMUNICATION SKILLS BECAUSE ESL CLASSES HAVE HELPED ME TO IMPROVE MY COMMUNICATION SKILLS AND TO BE ABLE TO UNDERSTAND OTHER PEOPLE AND BE UNDERSTOOD AS WELL. IN ADDITION TO THAT, THE U.S. IS A COUNTRY THAT CAN OFFER YOU GREAT OPPORTUNITIES, BUT IF YOU WANT TO ENJOY ALL THE GREAT THINGS THAT AMERICA CAN OFFER YOU, YOU HAVE TO KNOW THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE BECAUSE IT MAKES YOUR LIFE EASIER AS WELL AS DIFFICULT TO -- AS WELL AS DIFFICULT IF YOU DON'T KNOW THIS LANGUAGE. SECONDLY THIS PROGRAM I THINK WILL BENEFIT ME TO PURSUE MY CAREER OR ACADEMIC GOALS. IN MY COUNTRY I USED TO BE A TEACHER

AND ONE DAY HOPEFULLY I WANT TO BECOME HERE IN THE UNITED STATES A TEACHER TO HELP MAYBE OTHER ESL STUDENTS IF I WOULD HAVE THIS OPPORTUNITY. AND DUE TO THIS PROGRAM, I CAN SEE THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN EDUCATIONAL SYSTEMS FROM THE UNITED STATES AND FROM MY COUNTRY. LAST BUT NOT LEAST, IT'S REGARDING MY LIFE SIELZ SCILZ. THIS PROGRAM HAS HELPED ME TO ENHANCE MY LIFE SKILLS. NOW I KNOW HOW TO WRITE A CHECK, I KNOW HOW TO GO ABOUT IN A GROCERY STORE, I KNOW HOW TO RENT AN APARTMENT. THINGS THAT ARE VERY DIFFERENT FROM MY COUNTRY. IN THE END I WOULD LIKE TO CONCLUDE THAT I WAS -- I WILL TRY TO MAKE AMERICA MY NEW HOME. AGAIN, I WOULD LIKE YOU TO CONSIDER REFUNDING THE ESL PROGRAM. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, CHRISTINA. [ APPLAUSE ] YOU DID VERY WELL WITH YOUR ENGLISH. FRANK FERNANDEZ, WHO WILL BE FOLLOWED BY RORY O'MALLLY.

THANK YOU, GOOD EVENING. MY NAME IS LANDFILL LILLIA, I AM FROM MEXICO CITY. I HAVE BEEN HERE FOR MANY YEARS AND I'M TRYING TO IMPROVE MY ENGLISH, AND THAT'S THE REASON I AM IN THE ESL SCHOOL. (INDISCERNIBLE). AND THIS IS A VERY GOOD PROGRAM FOR ME AND FOR MY FAMILY BECAUSE MY SISTER, MY COUSIN, THEY ARE IN THE CLASS ALSO. AND THEN I CAME HERE TO ENCOURAGE YOU TO CONTINUE TO FUND THE ESL PROGRAM AND -- BECAUSE IT'S -- IT IS IMPORTANT TO LEARN ENGLISH AND USE ENGLISH TO COMMUNICATE WITH OUR BOSSES, OUR SUPERVISORS EVERYWHERE. AND THE YOUNG PEOPLE, ESPECIALLY THE MEXICAN PEOPLE, TRY TO IMPROVE OUR LIVES. (INDISCERNIBLE). THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR LISTENING TO ME. [ APPLAUSE ]

Mayor Wynn: YOU'RE WELCOME. YOUR ENG ENGLISH ALSO IS DOING QUITE WELL. FRANK FERNANDEZ? FRANK FERNANDEZ SIGNED UP WISHING TO SPEAK, IN FAVOR. ALFRED DOUGH ANDRETTI? WELCOME. YOU WILL HAVE THREE MINUTES AND BE FOLLOWED BY VIRGINIA CLEARRY, WHO WILL BE FOLLOWED BY CARLOS HINERRO. WELCOME.

GOOD EVENING. MY NAME IS ALFRED ANDRETTI. I AM A

STUDENT, AN ESL STUDENT IN LANIER HIGH SCHOOL. I'M HERE TO TALK ABOUT THE ESL PROGRAM. FIRST THING I WANT TO SAY, WHEN I CAME TO THE UNITED STATES I COULDN'T SPEAK ANY ENGLISH. I COULDN'T UNDERSTAND ANY PERSON WHEREVER I WENT, SO FOR THAT REASON I AM VERY PLEASED THAT THIS ESL PROGRAM TO HELPING ME A LOT TO IMPROVE MY ENGLISH. BECAUSE NOW EVERYWHERE I GO I UNDERSTAND THE PEOPLE, ESPECIALLY IN MY WORK WITH MY COLLEAGUES. I HAVE CONVERSATIONS AND I CAN UNDERSTAND BETTER, ESPECIALLY MY BOSS. ALSO, THIS ESL PROGRAM IS HELPING ME TO ACCOMPLISH MY CAREER GOALS BECAUSE I AM A TEACHER FROM MEXICO AND I WOULD LIKE TO BECOME A TEACHER HERE IN TEXAS. AND THIS WAY I CAN OFFER TO THE CITY SOMETHING GOOD BECAUSE SINCE I HAVE BEEN IN AUSTIN, THIS CITY IS HELPING ME A LOT, SO I WOULD LIKE TO OFFER THE CITY SOMETHING SPECIAL, AND ESPECIALLY OUR CHILDREN. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR FUNDING THIS ESL PROGRAM BECAUSE IT'S HELPING A LOT OF PEOPLE. AND I HOPE IT WILL CONTINUE HELPING MORE IN THE FUTURE. MUCHOGRACIAS.

Mayor Wynn: VIRGINIA CLEARRY WHO WILL BE FOLLOWED BY CARLOS STENERO. WELCOME. YOU WILL HAVE THREE MINUTES.

GOOD EVENING, MAYOR WYNN AND COUNCILMEMBERS. I TOO HAVE JOINED AT ONE TIME RAUL ALVAREZ'S CAMPAIGN. IF YOU CAN REMEMBER, GOOD MEMORIES. MY NAME IS VIRGINIA CLEARRY. I AM A PROGRAM SPECIALIST WITH AISD WITH THE ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM WITH THESE STUDENTS. AND I'M GOING TO TELL YOU JUST IN A FEW MINUTES WHY I'M SO CONCERNED AND VERY INTERESTED AND HOPING THAT YOU WILL CONTINUE TO FUND THIS PROGRAM. EVERY WEEK I RECEIVE MANY, MANY PHONE CALLS, AND PEOPLE OF COURSE STOP BY TO VISIT. MANY ADULTS. AND THEY PRACTICALLY BEG FOR CAN I PLEASE JOIN AND REGISTER. AND MANY TIMES WE CANNOT ENROLL THEM ALL AT -- AT EVERY DAY OR WEEK OR EVERY MONTH AS THEY WALK INTO MY OFFICE. BUT THEY ARE STRUGGLING AND A LOT OF THESE STUDENTS ARE COMING BY CITY BUS, EVEN WITH CHILDREN IN TOW, SOME BY BICYCLE, AND REGARDLESS OF THE WEATHER. AND A LOT OF THEM RUSH

FROM THEIR JOBS JUST TO TRY TO MAKE THESE CLASSES IN THE EVENING, WHICH OF COURSE THEY'RE OFFERED FROM 6:30 TO 8:30. SO WE'RE ASKING YOU TO PLEASE, PLEASE OPEN YOUR EYES. IT IS VERY IMPORTANT NOT TO JUST EACH STUDENT THAT'S HERE WITH US. WE'RE REPRESENTING A LOT MORE. WE'RE REPRESENTING FOUR SCHOOLS. THE SCHOOLS I'M RESPONSIBLE FOR IS DECKER AND BROOK AND THEN OF COURSE LANIER AND WALNUT IS IN THE CITY IN THE NORTH. THESE CLASSES AREN'T ONLY GOING TO BENEFIT IN THE FUTURE EACH STUDENT, WE'RE TALKING ABOUT NOT JUST THE MEXICAN COMMUNITY, BUT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT A LOT OF COUNTRIES HERE. I HAVE STUDENTS FROM BELGIUM, RUSSIA, CHINA, BRAZIL, CENTRAL AMERICA, SOUTH AMERICA, MEXICO AND ON AND ON. THEY WILL BENEFIT IN THE -- IT WILL BENEFIT IN THE LONG RUN THE WHOLE COMMUNITY, EDUCATING NOT ONLY THE PARENTS, PARENT THAT HAVE CHILDREN IN OUR AUSTIN SCHOOLS, BUT A LOT OF THESE YOUNG ADULTS THAT WILL BE SELF-SUFFICIENT EVENTUALLY. NOT ONLY SELF-SUFFICIENT, BUT LEARNING HOW TO SPEAK ENGLISH TO THEM MEANS IMPROVING THEIR QUALITY OF LIFE. SO I HOPE WITH THIS, SINCE YOU JUST FORMED WITH THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES THE VOICE IN HISPANIC EDUCATION FOR THE QUALITY OF LIFE THAT YOU WILL CONSIDER ALL OF THESE FOREIGN STUDENTS THAT ARE HERE THAT REALLY WANT TO MAKE AMERICA THEIR LIFE AND THEY'RE TRYING TO MAKE -- BECOME GOOD CITIZENS. THANKS. [ APPLAUSE ]

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. CARLOS CENTRAL (INDISCERNIBLE). WELCOME. YOU WILL HAVE THREE MINUTES AND BE FOLLOWED BY ZACH FAN AND FOLLOWED BY (INDISCERNIBLE).

GOOD EVENING. MY NAME IS CARLOS. I AM AN ESL STUDENT AT BROOK SCHOOL. I AM HERE TO TELL YOU PLEASE CONTINUE THESE CLASSES. IT'S IMPORTANT TO ME TO IMPROVE MY LIFE-STYLE FOR THE COMMUNITY. IF YOU DISCONTINUE THESE CLASSES, NO ONE IN THE COMMUNITY BENEFITS. IT WILL (INDISCERNIBLE). THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, CARLOS. ZACH FAM? WHO WILL BE FOLLOWED BY (INDISCERNIBLE). WELCOME, MA'AM, YOU

WILL HAVE THREE MINUTES.

GOOD EVENING, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. MY NAME IS -- I AM AN ESL CLASS STUDENT. I AM VERY HAPPY TO BE HERE TO TALK TO YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR FUNDING THE ESL PROGRAM. IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO US. WE CANNOT LEARN (INDISCERNIBLE). WE NEED ENGLISH FOR FINDING JOBS, COMMUNICATING, EVEN HELPING OUR KIDS AND OLD PEOPLE. I HAVE BEEN WORKING HARD TO EARN A LITTLE MONEY IN AUSTIN SINCE 1994. NOW I NEED TO INFORM MY (INDISCERNIBLE) TO GET A BETTER JOB AND HELP MY CHILDREN TO LEARN. LEARNING ENGLISH HELPS US GET BETTER JOBS, BECOME BETTER CITY AND COUNTRY AND FOR THE CITY'S ECONOMY. (INDISCERNIBLE). BENEFITS THE COMMUNITY. AND I'M LOOKING WORK THROUGH THE CITY, MAKING FRIENDS (INDISCERNIBLE). THANK YOU AGAIN FOR FUNDING OUR PROGRAM. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

Mayor Wynn: YOU'RE WELCOME. [ APPLAUSE ] ASGAD? (INDISCERNIBLE). [ LAUGHTER ]

SO I'M A SECOND GRADE TEACHER BY DAY AND AT NIGHT I TEACH THEIR PARENTS TO COMMUNICATE WITH THEIR CHILDREN'S TEACHERS, THEIR ADMINISTRATORS, AND TONIGHT WITH THEIR COUNCILMEMBERS, WHICH I'M VERY PROUD. I DIDN'T KNOW THIS PROGRAM WAS WORKING SO WELL. SO MY REQUEST IS SIMPLE, LET ME CONTINUE TEACHING AND LET MY STUDENTS AND OUR STUDENTS CONTINUE LEARNING. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

Mayor Wynn: FERNANDO FLORES? RUDY PENA? WHO WILL BE FOLLOWED BY RICHARD RIDARTE.

GOODNIGHT, GUYS. MY NAME IS FERNANDO FLORES, I'M FROM MEXICO. I'M HERE TO LET YOU KNOW WE WOULD LIKE TO LEARN ENGLISH SO THE FIRST TIME WHEN I CAME TO THE UNITED STATES I JUST TRIED TO OPEN MY MIND AND SAY I'M GOING THROUGH A DIFFERENT WORLD. IT'S SO DIFFERENT ABOUT MEXICO. SO I THINK EVERYBODY ELSE WHO CAME FROM A DIFFERENT COUNTRY, SO THEY REALLY WANT TO LEARN THIS LANGUAGE, ESPECIALLY BECAUSE YOU CAN'T REALLY HAVE A GOOD COMMUNICATION WITH ALL THE PEOPLE LIKE WHATEVER THEY CAME FROM. SOMETIMES WE

MEET PEOPLE FROM ALL AROUND THE WORLD, AND WE REALLY -- I'M REALLY PROUD WHEN I HAVE A CONVERSATION WITH AMERICAN PEOPLE AND THEY TRY TO UNDERSTAND THEM SOMETIMES WHAT I SAY TO THEM. AND WHAT I WANT TO TELL YOU GUYS, CAN YOU HELP US TO TRY TO CONTINUE TO LEARN A NEW LANGUAGE AND G.E.D.? SO LIKE GIVE IT TO A NEW VIEW, A NEW LIFE FOR THE FUTURE. WE WOULD LIKE TO DO THE BEST WE CAN, SO WE WANT TO LEARN LANGUAGE AND WE CAN HELP OUR FAMILY, OUR CHILDREN'S AND THE PEOPLE WHO THEY HAVE DISABILITIES. THE OTHER DAY I CAME TO THE DOWNTOWN AND I -- AND I HAD NEXT TO ME A PERSON WHO IS BLIND, AND HE TRIED TO FIND -- I DON'T KNOW WHERE HE WANTS TO GO, AND I CAN'T REALLY TRY TO TELL HIM, HEY, WHAT DO YOU WANT? WHERE WILL YOU GO? CAN I HELP YOU? AND I DON'T REALLY SAY ANYTHING BECAUSE I DON'T WANT TO SPEAK ENGLISH ON THAT MOMENT, BUT RIGHT NOW I'M JUST TRYING TO SPEAK THE MOST I CAN. AND I REALLY FEEL PROUD WHEN I SPEAK MORE AND THEN MY LANGUAGE IMPROVE EVERYDAY, EVERYDAY. SO EVERYDAY I'M JUST LEARNING MAYBE ONE WORD, TWO WORDS OR THREE DIFFERENT WORDS, AND I DON'T KNOW, I HAVE NOTHING ELSE TO TELL YOU, I JUST WANT YOU GUYS TO HELP US TO GET OUR DREAMS HIGH. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. SO WHERE IN MEXICO? WHERE IN MEXICO IS HOME? WHERE IN MEXICO IS YOUR HOME?

[INAUDIBLE - NO MIC].

Mayor Wynn: RUDY PENA. WELCOME. YOU WILL BE FOLLOWED BY RICHARD RIDARTE.

GOOD EVENING. MY NAME IS RUDY PENA. I'M FROM (INDISCERNIBLE). I'VE BEEN HERE FOR EIGHT YEARS ALREADY, AND I'M SO GLAD TO FIND THESE CLASSES BECAUSE A LONG TIME AGO I DID -- I FOUND CLASSES, BUT I DON'T TAKE THEM. SO IT WAS FOR ME MORE INTERESTING BECAUSE WE CAN GO AND HAVE -- IF YOU DON'T HAVE A CHILD, WE CAN TAKE AND WE CAN HAVE THE CLASS AND SOMEBODY TAKE HER. I'M SO GLAD TO FIND THIS CLASS. AND FOR ME, THIS PROGRAM IS LIKE A DOOR IS OPEN AND YOU CAN GO IN IT. AND NOT JUST LEARN ENGLISH AND

SPEAK ENGLISH OR HELP OUR CHILDS, SPEAK MORE IN OUR JOB OR HAVE MORE -- ANOTHER POSITION. FOR ME IF YOU HAVE A FUTURE YOU CAN SAY LATER ON I CAN GET MY G.E.D. AND GO TO THE COLLEGE AND DO SOMETHING IN MY LIFE AND DO GOOD THINGS. SO I SAY FOR ME, THIS CLASS IS REALLY GOOD, NOT FOR ME, JUST FOR ALMOST -- I AM HERE, SO THANK YOU AND I SAY PLEASE CONTINUE TO HELP US. IT'S REALLY, REALLY IMPORTANT TO US. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, RUDY. RICHARD RIDARTE? WELCOME. YOU WILL BE FOLLOWED BY NATIONALLY MORALES.

GOOD EVENING, MAYOR AND COUNCIL. I WOULD LIKE TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND THE OWNERSHIP ISSUES OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING. AS WE ALL KNOW, THE CHALLENGES OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING WERE BECOMING GREATER AND GREATER, ESPECIALLY AS IT COMES TO HOME OWNERSHIP. AND THE TWO ISSUES THAT I IN PARTICULAR DEAL WITH, I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR A NONPROFIT IN AUSTIN THAT BUILDS AFFORDABLE HOUSING. MOST OF OUR CLIENTELE ARE IN THE 60, 65, 50 TO 55 PERCENT MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME. IT'S A CHALLENGE FOR US TO MAINTAIN AFFORDABILITY TO KEEP THE GAP BETWEEN WHAT THEY CAN AFFORD AND WHAT THE MARKET RATES ARE GOING FOR. SO I WOULD LIKE YOU TO CONSIDER FUNDING AND FINANCING THAT GAP TO ALLOW FOR THAT AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN OUR NEIGHBORHOODS AS WELL AS THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY, PRIME PROPERTY IN AREAS OF AUSTIN THAT ARE BECOMING SCARCE MORE AND MORE EACH DAY. I SEE PROPERTY BEING GOBBLED UP BY DEVELOPERS AND PUTTING IN RENTAL HOUSING AND NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS OFTEN TELL US THAT THEY'RE VERY MUCH OPPOSED TO THAT BECAUSE OF THE TRANSITIONAL PEOPLE THAT COME THROUGH THE NEIGHBORHOOD. AND THEY'RE LOOKING AT BUILDING THEIR COMMUNITIES. THEY'VE BEEN IN THEIR COMMUNITIES AND THEY WANT TO STABILIZE THEIR COMMUNITIES AND BUILD THEM. AND ONE OF THE WAYS IS THROUGH HOME OWNERSHIP. SO THOSE ARE THE TWO AREAS THAT I FACE WITH CONCERN EACH DAY AND I WOULD LIKE FOR YOU TO CONSIDER PROGRAMS THAT FUND GAP FINANCING AS WELL

AS ACQUISITION. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, RICHARD. INNATALIA MORGELLANS  
RAL LEZ.

I AM FROM COLOMBIA AND I HAVE BEEN -- THE LAST SEVEN YEARS I HAVE BEEN IN MEXICO STUDYING MEDICINE WITH A SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM, AND NOW I'M HERE IN AUSTIN AND I JOINED THIS FREE ESL PROGRAM AND LEARNING MORE ENGLISH SO I CAN BECOME LIKE A BILINGUAL DOCTOR SO I CAN HELP MORE PEOPLE. AND THIS PROGRAM IS VERY CONVENIENT BECAUSE, FIRST OF ALL, BECAUSE IT'S FREE. SECOND, BECAUSE THE SCHEDULE IS VERY COMFORTABLE, SO YOU CAN WORK DURING THE DAY AND YOU CAN LEARN MORE ENGLISH DURING THE NIGHT. SECOND, IS MAKE THE PEOPLE MORE PRODUCTIVE IN THEIR JOBS. AND IT'S HELPING A LOT OF PEOPLE TO REALIZE THAT ENGLISH IS NOT THAT DIFFICULT. YOU REALLY CAN LEARN IF YOU WANT TO. AND AFTER YOU FINISH THIS PROGRAM, AFTER YOU FINISH LIKE ALL THE LEVELS, FOR EXAMPLE, I AM IN THE LAST LEVEL, SO I'M PLANNING NOW IN MAY WHEN I FINISH THIS LEVEL, MAYBE I CAN GO TO A PRIVATE CLASSES IN A.C.C., SO I'M SAVING MY MONEY TO GO THERE AND LEARN EVEN MORE. SO THAT'S ONE GOOD THING, PEOPLE CAN REALIZE THEY CAN DO IT, THEY CAN LEARN WITH THESE FREE PROGRAMS. SO PLEASE CONTINUE FUNDING FOR THIS GOOD PROGRAM AND IT'S HELPING A LOT OF PEOPLE FOR A LOT OF UNDER WORLD. [ APPLAUSE ]

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. VIRGINIA TREVINO? TO BE FOLLOWED BY ROSA JIMENEZ. YOU'RE RIGHT, THESE FOLKS HAVE SIGNED UP -- THESE FOLKS HAVE SIGNED UP IN FAVOR, BUT NOT WISHING TO SPEAK. THAT INCLUDES NANCY (INDISCERNIBLE), MARIA GARCIA AND GWENDOLYN GREEN. SO THAT'S ALL THE FOLKS WHO HAVE SIGNED UP HERE. ARE THERE ANY OTHER CITIZENS WHO WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS US? I JUST WANT TO POINT OUT, I THINK COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ IS GOING TO ALSO SAY SOMETHING, BUT IN FACT WE HAVE FOLKS HERE FROM MANY COUNTRIES AND THAT SPEAKS VOLUMES TO THE EFFECTIVENESS AND ATTRACTIVENESS OF THE CITY. WELCOME.

GOOD EVENING, MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL. MY NAME IS RORY O'MALLYLY AND I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF THE HOUSING WORKS COALITION, WHICH IS A COALITION OF NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS, CHURCHES, BUSINESS LEADERS AND OTHER CITIZENS IN AUSTIN WHO ARE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE CRITICAL NEED FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN OUR COMMUNITY. WHERE WE KNOW THAT IT'S ESTIMATED THAT THERE ARE MORE THAN 54,000 FAMILIES WHO ARE PAYING TOO MUCH FOR THEIR HOUSING, AND THAT MEANS THEY'RE NEGLECTING OTHER KINDS OF NEEDS. WHERE A FAMILY WOULD NEED TO EARN \$31,000 A YEAR IN ORDER TO BE ABLE TO AFFORD A TWO BEDROOM APARTMENT. WHERE THE HOME OWNERSHIP RATE IS AT ABOUT 48% COMPARED WITH 64% ACROSS THE STATE. AND THAT IN THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN AND HISPANIC COMMUNITIES, THE HOME OWNERSHIP RATES ARE EVEN MUCH LOWER AT 37%. WHERE WE HAVE PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES WHO TEND TO BE OF VERY LOW INCOMES, WHO ARE CHALLENGED TO BE ABLE TO FIND SOMETHING THAT IS ADAPTED TO THEIR NEEDS WITH THE INCOME AND RENT OR HOME PAYMENT THAT THEY CAN AFFORD. AND OUR SENIOR CITIZENS WE'VE SURVEYED RECENTLY HAVE INDICATED A MAJOR ISSUE FOR THEM WAS BEING ABLE TO MAINTAIN THE HOUSING THAT THEY'RE CURRENTLY IN, TO DO THE FOUNDATION REPAIRS, THE UTILITY REPAIRS, THE WEATHERIZATION THAT'S IMPORTANT TO KEEP THEM IN THEIR HOUSING. AUSTIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT ESTIMATES THAT THERE ARE 4,000 STUDENTS WHO DO NOT HAVE PERMANENT HOUSING OR IN TEMPORARY HOUSING, MEANING THAT MANY OF THESE STUDENTS ARE MOVING FROM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AS THEIR FAMILIES TRY TO FIND AFFORDABLE HOUSING. WE HAVE A CRISIS IN OUR COMMUNITY AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING. WE WOULD URGE YOU THAT IN THE CONTEXT WHERE YOU'RE FACING CUTS ON THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT MONIES AND THE HOME PROGRAMS AND OTHER FEDERAL PROGRAMS WITH LIMITED RESOURCES THAT YOU FOCUS THOSE CRITICAL RESOURCES ON THOSE INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES IN THE COMMUNITY WHO HAVE THE GREATEST NEEDS, THE MOST CRITICAL NEEDS, AND THOSE BEING THE PERSONS THAT HAVE INCOMES BELOW 30% OF THE AREA MEDIAN INCOME. I APPRECIATE YOUR CONSIDERATION. THANK YOU

VERY MUCH.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. O'MALLLY. SO COUNCIL, THAT CONCLUDES OUR CITIZEN SIGN-UP PORTION OF THIS PUBLIC HEARING. MR. HILGERS -- COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ?

Alvarez: BEFORE WE START LOSING FOLKS, I WANTED TO SAY SOMETHING IN ENG ENGLISH AND SPANISH. (SPEAKING SPANISH). (SPEAKING SPANISH). (SPEAKING SPANISH).

Alvarez: MAYOR, WHAT I JUST SAID IS TO THANK THEM FOR COMING AND PARTICIPATING IN THIS PUBLIC HEARING ON SUCH AN IMPORTANT ISSUE, AND I EXPLAINED THAT IT'S HARD ENOUGH TO COMMUNICATE IN A SECOND LANGUAGE, BUT THEN YOU ALSO -- IT'S EVEN HARDER TO COMMUNICATE IN A PUBLIC SPEAKING SORT OF ENVIRONMENT, AND IT'S EVEN HARDER TO COMMUNICATE WHEN YOU HAVE A 10-FOOT SCREEN SO THAT WHEN YOU'RE TRYING TO EXPRESS SOMETHING, YOU'RE ALSO WATCHING YOURSELF ON A LARGE SCREEN, SO A LOT OF OBSTACLES OR A LOT OF CHALLENGES, BUT I THOUGHT EVERYONE DID VERY WELL AND I KNOW ETCETERA NOT JUST FOLKS FROM -- SPANISH SPEAKERS, BUT ALSO FOLKS THAT SPEAK OTHER LANGUAGES AS WELL AND THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING. THIS HAVE HAS BEEN A PROGRAM THAT HAS BEEN HEAVILY SUPPORTED BY THE COUNCILS. CERTAINLY DURING THE SIX YEARS I'VE BEEN ON THE COUNCIL, BUT EVEN BEFORE THAT. I WAS DEBATING WHETHER TO SAY -- TRANSLATE THIS PART OR NOT, BUT THAT I ENCOURAGE THEM TO ALSO TRY TO SUPPORT CANDIDATES THAT ALSO SUPPORT THESE KIND OF PROGRAMS. I HAD TO COME CLEAN. [ LAUGHTER ] THANK YOU, MAYOR.

Mayor Wynn: SO THE 10-FOOT SCREEN IS WHY PAUL HILGERS HAS SO MUCH TROUBLE. [ LAUGHTER ]

THAT'S IT.

Mayor Wynn: WELCOME BACK, MR. HILGERS.

JUST TO CONCLUDE, COUNCIL. SO THE PEOPLE WILL KNOW WHERE AGAIN THEY CAN SPEAK, THE FIRST PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, AND

I WANT TO RECOGNIZE TWO COMMISSIONERS WHO STUCK IT OUT TONIGHT AND ARE VERY DEDICATED TO OUR CAUSES AND THE MISSION OF LOW INCOME FOLKS, COMMISSIONER (INDISCERNIBLE) AND THE VICE COMMISSIONER OF THE COMMISSION, AND I APPRECIATE THEM BEING HERE AND IN SUPPORT OF THIS EFFORT. BUT THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION WILL MEET ON MARCH 29TH IN THE BOARDS AND COMMISSION ROOM AND THE SECOND PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL WILL BE ON MAY 25TH. THE MEETING TONIGHT AND OF COURSE ON MARCH 29TH IS JUST TO GATHER INPUT ON THE COMMUNITY NEEDS. THE SECOND PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ON MAY NINTH AND BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL ON MAY THE 25TH WILL BE TO GATHER INPUT ON OUR DRAFT ACTION PLAN. AND SO WE'LL BE MAKING A PRESENTATION THAT WILL BE A LITTLE LONGER AT THE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING. AND WRITTEN COMMENTS ON THE PLAN WILL BE ACCEPTED DURING THE MONTH OF MAY AND FINAL CITY COUNCIL ACTION AGAIN WILL BE SCHEDULED FOR JULY 27TH, 2006. AND WITH THAT I THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND THE OPPORTUNITY.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. HILGERS. QUESTIONS OF STAFF, COUNCIL? IF NOT, DO WE ACTUALLY CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING OR -- OKAY. WITH THAT I'LL EXPLAIN A MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LEFFINGWELL TO CLOSE THIS PUBLIC HEARING. ALL IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

Mayor Wynn: OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF SIX TO ZERO WITH COUNCILMEMBER KIM OFF THE DAIS. MS. SPENCE, IS THAT ALL OF OUR BUSINESS? THERE BEING NO MORE BUSINESS BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL, WE STAND ADJOURNED. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. IT'S 9:06 P.M.

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